

Final BULLETINS

More Bomb Fires In Tunis, Bizerte

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA (CP)—A communiqué announced tonight that flying fortresses, escorted by fighters, continued their daily assaults on Bizerte and Tunis, where they left fires raging for the seventh straight day.

Lighter bombers, also with lightning escorts, raided an airfield near Tunis and targets at Gabes on the east Tunisian coast at the same time.

No Allied planes were lost in the attacks, the communiqué said.

House Opens Feb. 2

The Legislature will open Tuesday, Feb. 2, Premier John Hart announced today following a meeting of the executive council.

This session—the second of the 20th Legislature—is expected to last longer than usual, at least two months.

Japs Thrown Back

CHUNGKING (AP)—Japanese forces attempting to drive northward along the western bank of the Salween River in western Yunnan province have been thrown back to their base at Tengyueh, the Chinese command reported today.

'Mankind United' Members Arrested

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The Federal Bureau of Investigation announced today a series of arrests of leaders of the organization known as "Mankind United," and accused its sponsors of disseminating false reports and attempting to interfere with the war effort, and of masquerading as patriots.

Ontario Wineries Limited to 8 Hours

TORONTO (CP)—The Ontario Liquor Control Board has ordered all Ontario wineries to reduce their hours of sale to eight a day, opening at 11 a.m. and closing at 7 p.m., effective Monday.

Exceptions to the new ruling are the days before Christmas and New Year's, when the closing hour will be 6 p.m., while places in the province where wineries have previously been open less than eight hours a day will also be exempt.

Germany, Japan May Offer Peace

NEW YORK (CP)—Germany and Japan soon may make or inspire peace overtures "because of United Nations successes in the Pacific, Russia and in Africa," but the Allies must not be trapped in such "a ruse, deceit and a lie," Maj.-Gen. L. R. LaFleche said today.

Canadians Behave

LONDON (CP)—Exemplary discipline of Canadian troops in Britain is reflected in statistics prepared by Canadian military headquarters here showing the proportion of soldiers involved with the police is small and steadily decreasing. In the first quarter of 1942 one-seventh of 1 per cent of the Canadian Army was involved in police court cases of all kinds, including traffic offences.

Name Ice Committee

OTTAWA (CP)—The foods administration of the Prices Board today announced the appointment of an advisory committee from the ice industry, with a membership representing all parts of Canada.

The committee, whose members will serve without remuneration, will act in an advisory capacity with K. C. McRae, director of ice in the foods administration.

Turkey Consults Envoys To Moscow, Berlin

ANKARA (AP)—The Turkish government today consulted its envoys in Moscow and Berlin for their views on the situation in the Mediterranean and the recent report that Turkey was considering a move to the point where, as one diplomatic source put it, "concrete rapprochement could be visualized."

Northern Germany Heavily Raided; 18 Planes Missing

LONDON (CP)—The R.A.F. bombed targets in northwest Germany Thursday night in a raid from which 18 bombers are missing, a communiqué stated today.

Low clouds were encountered over the objectives, it was stated, and results of the bombings were not seen.

Mines also were laid in enemy waters.

Except for a small-scale British assault on northwest Germany the previous night, targets in that country had been bombed only on two nights so far this month—Dec. 2, when Frankfurt was the main objective, and Dec. 6, when the raiders centred on southwest Germany.

The Berlin radio quoted a D.N.B. report on Friday night's R.A.F. attack, claiming 21 bombers were shot down by "concentrated German defences." It claimed the raids were conducted by "weak forces" and said there were some casualties and some material damage, mainly in rural areas.

WEAK NAZI RAID

Northeast England meanwhile was attacked by a small number of German aircraft before midnight Friday night. There was some damage and a small number of casualties.

It was reported reliably that fewer than 10 enemy planes were over Britain during the night.

Several persons were killed and others trapped in wrecked buildings following a daylight attack today by a single German raider on a south coast town.

The German radio claimed that York, in central England, was the chief target of the Nazi air force Thursday night.

New Potato Prices To Benefit Farmers

OTTAWA (CP)—Prices Board officials today said the new maximum wholesale and retail prices for potatoes, just established, will permit better returns to the British Columbia producers than a year ago and should aid in moving adequate supplies to market.

The potato price order, announced Dec. 16, provides a basic price of \$2.60 a hundredweight, delivered on the Vancouver market for No. 1 B.C. Interior and Alberta Netted Gems, with comparable prices for other grades and types.

Officials said it is difficult to give a comparison with previous prices to producers because a system of individual ceilings has prevailed up to now.

"This is a completely new structure of ceiling prices to replace a system of individual ceilings prevailing this year and a similar system prevailing last year," one foods administration spokesman said.

"This is definitely not a producers' ceiling but rather a ceiling on wholesale selling prices or retail buying prices from wholesalers."

Chiang Freezes Prices

CHUNGKING (AP)—General Chiang Kai-shek, taking the lead in a campaign to combat rising living costs in China, announced today that commodity prices, transportation charges and wages will be frozen Jan. 15 at their level of Nov. 30, 1942.

Economic experts say prices of most commodities in China today are about 50 times what they were before the war.

Japs on Kiska Fishing for Food

HEADQUARTERS, ALASKA DEFENCE COMMAND (Delayed, AP)—Army air force officers disclosed today that their latest raids on Kiska showed the Japanese on the island still were trying to dig in, and apparently were seeking to supplement their slender food supply with fish.

Enemy planes and fighters, going over the island Dec. 11, attacked a refloated ship in the Kiska Harbor, again hitting the ship, which previously had been grounded in Gertrude Cove by American air attacks.

Returning the pilots reported they had strafed two Japanese who apparently were trying to fish from a rowboat, and also strafed a dozen Jap troops, apparently a working party, along the shore.

To Adolf, With Worst Wishes



The crew of this Flying Fortress in England fixed a bang-up Christmas present for Adolf Hitler in the form of the Yule-greeting bomb seen in the photo. The "Santa Claus" is Lieut. A. J. Davis. Other crew members are, left to right: Capt. William Anderson, pilot; S. Sgt. John Scott, radio operator; Tech. Sgt. John Collier, and Sgt. Arthur Daugherty, gunner.

2 Dead, 7 Missing After 2 Aircraft Crash Near Here

Two R.A.F. men were killed, and one R.A.F. and seven R.C.A.F. men are missing, after the crash of a medium bomber plane off Salt Spring Island, Thursday and the disappearance of a second medium bomber on a navigational flight off the east coast of Vancouver Island.

Efforts are continuing to recover wreckage of the plane which crashed off Salt Spring Island and to locate the missing men or their bodies.

A widespread search is being conducted for the plane which was lost Wednesday and mariners and others have been asked to report its appearance or any evidence thereof.

The dead are: Sgt. Norman Bastick, Egham, Surrey, Eng., and Sgt. Kenneth Bowler, Hamman, Gloucester, Eng.

Missing are: Sgt. Sydney Conlon, Toronto; Sgt. Alphonse Belotte, Long Island, New York, and Sgt. Robert Maun, Brentford, Middlesex, Eng.

P.O. D. J. Robertson, 1607 New Street, Vancouver.

P.O. W. W. Harris, Milwaukee, U.S.A.

P.O. B. F. Biggs, Wingham, Ont.

P.O. J. R. Bosburgh, Drumheller, Alta.

Sgt. A. J. Doherty, Wellington, New Zealand.

The crash was announced today by officials of a west coast R.A.F. air station.

Yarrows' Men Send \$200 To Cheer Old Folks

To help make the Christmas season merrier for unfortunate old folks, the Old Age Pensioners Association has opened its annual Cheer Fund, under Chairman G. A. Dyson, 1442 Camosun Street.

Today employees of Yarrows' shipyards headed the list of subscribers with a contribution of \$200.

"Though wages may now be higher for some, there are many aged and infirm who are quite destitute, often alone and forgotten, some of whom are not yet able to qualify for the B.C. old age pension," said Mr. Dyson.

On behalf of such persons we appeal to generous people. Cheer Fund contributions are being received by Treasurer J. S. Campion, Bank of Toronto, 1405 Douglas Street.

5 DAYS LEFT

Something special for that lad in this Army

Buy Christmas Seals

Gas for Emergencies Only Available In 17 Eastern States

WASHINGTON (AP)—Gasoline sales to ordinary motorists in the eastern United States were limited at noon today by a temporary federal order to the amount obtainable on one coupon of their ration book.

The Office of Price Administration put no limit on gasoline sales to commercial vehicles, but banned them to holders of A, B and C ration books, except for an "emergency" amount as represented by a single coupon.

The District of Columbia and 17 states are embraced in the order. The new regulation was issued, spokesmen of the O.P.A. said, to stop a run on filling stations. It will be replaced shortly—possibly before tomorrow—by a less drastic order.

President Roosevelt told his press conference the prospective suspension of all A cards would be only temporary.

The O.P.A. spokesmen, declining to be quoted by name, said the new order put new curtailments only on the A ration book holders.

Government officials already had issued a plea for motorists to not drive except where absolutely essential.

The O.P.A. estimated that about 7,000,000 vehicles in the east soon would be without gasoline if the new regulation remained in effect long.

It means that motorists in 16 eastern states are entitled to purchase three gallons for emergency use if they have an A book or four gallons if they have B or C books. In West Virginia, a State in the area, the value of a coupon is four gallons.

The O.P.A. gave no definition of "emergency."

12,000 a Minute

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Inventor W. B. Hale today displayed a new gun fired with compressed air contained in a cylinder on the underside. There is no powder, no flash, no noise, and no recoil.

Hale declares his weapon will fire 12,000 rounds in 60 seconds. It fires the equivalent of a 50-calibre bullet.

The Dix Manufacturing Company, of which Hale is chief engineer, produced the weapon. The exact process is secret.

With no powder used, the bullets require no shell casings. Poured into a hopper, the bullets are forced into the firing chamber by vacuum.

New Pilot Officers

OTTAWA (CP)—R.C.A.F. headquarters announced today that 62 pilots, all sergeants, have been commissioned as pilot officers for proficiency shown in training courses.

Those commissioned included the following: British Columbians: Norman Wilan Mann, Richard John Halliburton, Ernest J. Pausche, Thomas Ernest Elden, Vancouver; John Campbell Luthoff, Crawford Bay; John Edward Minsay Young, Nelson.

Germans Suffer Another Setback West of Rzhev

By EDDY GILMORE
MOSCOW (AP)—Red Army shock troops smashed into another village on the vital Rzhev-Vyasma railway line west of Moscow during Thursday night's fighting, beating off German dive-bomber attacks and destroying a battalion of German infantry, the Russian midday communiqué said today.

Soviet anti-aircraft fire brought down three Nazi planes in the battle.

The engagement came in the wake of reports that counter-attacking Germans had suffered another severe setback west of Rzhev, losing more than a company, and of a strong Soviet denial of Thursday's Nazi claim that the Germans had trapped a Russian army at Toropets, a short distance northeast of Velikie Luki.

In their denial the Russians hinted strongly that a Red Army force is moving southward toward Smolensk, one of the anchor points of the German line in Russia.

They placed the Russian columns at a point about 60 miles south of Toropets and about 40 miles west.

Germans Now Back To 1941 Positions

An official statement declared the Germans had been hurled back those distances from Toropets "as far back as the winter of 1941-42."

Toropets, the Soviet Information Bureau said, "can be regarded with full justification as a town in the Soviet rear where even the salvos of heavy guns cannot be heard."

The move gave promise of a new pincer action developing on the central front. The first bypassed Rzhev on the north and came down the railway toward Vyasma on the southwest.

The Toropets column has reached the area of Bely and is conducting an offensive which already has "utterly routed" the 33rd German Tank Regiment, the 216th Infantry Regiment and the 13th Chasseurs Battalion, the Information Bureau said.

"In these engagements the Germans lost more than 7,000 officers and men killed, 100 tanks, about 57 guns and 110 machine guns, 860 trucks and 10 cart trains with supplies."

In addition, 17 planes were destroyed on an airfield, and fuel and ammunition dumps were blown up, the Russians said.

The Russian losses, the Information Bureau reported, were 2,000 killed, 115 missing, and 20 tanks, 48 guns and 360 trucks destroyed.

Leads 2 Columns Towards Smolensk

Extension of the Toropets-Bely drive to meet a continued push along the railway through Vyasma would lead the two columns toward Smolensk.

The position of Rzhev itself is becoming more serious. The Russians have cut the railroad west of Velikie Luki and southwest of Vyasma, and the German garrison at Rzhev has been relying on road and plane transport for nearly three weeks to provision it.

The Soviet column at Bely can thus strike at the truck trains bringing in food and ammunition over the snow.

Meanwhile, Russian armies were reported developing their gains in the Surovikino area, 90 miles west of Stalingrad, and fighting on the offensive against southwest of Stalingrad after punishing tank battles on the approaches to Kotelnikovsky.

The midday communiqué listed more than 1,600 Germans killed, eight planes brought down and 16 tanks knocked out on the front in the night's fighting.

Tuesday's enemy dead in the Stalingrad area, exclusive of the toll taken in the battle for Kotelnikovsky, were counted at more than 3,100.

Fined for Absence

WINNIPEG (CP)—For failing to attend parades, Cnr. Paul Joseph Bousquet of the 38th Reserve Battery of the Royal Canadian Artillery today was fined \$5 and costs in provincial police court.

8th Army Advance Only 300 Miles From Objective



AFRICA CORPS TRAPPED... Arrow in map shows direction of Rommel's retreat and approximate point where half Rommel's tanks and 10,000 of his best men were cut off by brilliant tactical stroke of 8th Army.

By E. C. DANIEL

LONDON (AP)—While Britain's 8th Army pursued Marshal Rommel's retreating forces more than 100 miles west of El Aghella today, dispatches from Cairo said it was possible some of the enemy forces previously reported trapped on the road to Tripoli had broken out of the British armor blocking their line of flight.

British headquarters at Cairo Thursday reported Rommel's columns had been cut in two and that one group estimated unofficially at 10,000 of his seasoned campaigners and half his tanks was pocketed between Wadi Matruh and Matruh Arch.

This group suffered heavily trying to break out of the encirclement, but dispatches from Cairo today indicated the fighting has ceased in that area, now far behind the head of Rommel's retreat, with the possibility that some remnants may have slipped through to try to regain the main Axis line.

Allied Fliers Pound Axis Bases

The Axis' plight in north Africa was underscored by the flight of Rommel in western Libya, a whiplash air assault on Axis bases in Tunisia and the probable sinking of three Axis supply ships by British submarines policing the enemy's Mediterranean supply lanes.

Measured by the road winding around the Gulf of Sirte, Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery's army probably had advanced about 125 miles from the former Nazi line at El Aghella. He now is less than 300 miles short of his immediate objective, the Fascist African capital of Tripoli, main city of Tripolitania which, with conquered Cirenaica, made up Mussolini's dwindling colony of Libya.

The Cairo communiqué said British forces were fighting enemy rearguards throughout Thursday beyond Zauten No. 11, which, until recently, had been an enemy air base site behind the lines.

The further Rommel pulled back his remaining forces, the wider grew the gap between them and the pocketed elements which the British army cut off in the Wadi Matruh Gulch Wednesday with a flanking sweep across the desert.

Thus Rommel apparently had abandoned those forces to fight their way west if possible rather than risk any more of the strength he is attempting to save by flight, presumably to join the Axis' western armies for a last stand in Tunisia.

In Cairo, however, some British sources said the fighting in that area apparently was concluded and that at least part of the cut-off forces might have slipped out of the trap.

The day's communiqué from Cairo said advance elements of the 8th Army engaged Axis forces in sharp fighting in the area southwest of Zauten No. 11.

Nazi Air Fleet Driven Away

"Extensive fighter patrols carried out by Allied aircraft have entirely prevented the enemy air forces from interfering with the advancing 8th Army," it added.

At least five large southbound Axis planes were destroyed by Allied fighters off Sicily, the bulletin said, and a single Junkers-88 was shot down near Bengasi, Libya.

Despite the scope of these aerial operations, only two Allied planes were lost.

Patrol Clashes In Tunis Reported

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA (CP)—Increasing patrol contacts between Allied and Axis forces were reported from central Tunisia today as improving weather indicated large-scale fighting might soon be resumed in the northern sector.

A headquarters spokesman reported that Allied patrols made contact with the enemy at several points in central Tunisia and that some small enemy mine fields had been destroyed. This activity was for the most part in the area of Medjer el Bab, 35 miles southwest of Tunis.

Weather along the battlefield was much better for the past two days, the spokesman said, and both sides utilized the interval between battles to bring up fresh forces and supplies.

Aside from the patrol activity, he said "there absolutely was no action on the ground Thursday."

Sink 3 Axis Ships

LONDON (CP)—The Admiralty announced today that British submarines had damaged and probably sunk three more Axis supply ships in the Mediterranean and had scored a torpedo hit on a large Japanese supply vessel in the Far Eastern waters.

Of the vessels attacked in the Mediterranean, one was a medium-sized supply ship heavily laden with motor transport bound for Tunisia. The vessel was reported to have run aground in a sinking condition after being torpedoed in the Gulf of Hammamet.

The other two Axis ships were reported to have been sunk by British submarines in the Mediterranean.

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SAFEWAY STORES LIMITED

Streetcars Run; Reach Compromise On Bonus Payment

Street car service continued uninterrupted today in Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster after a compromise agreement was reached to avert a strike of nearly 2,000 railwaymen in the three cities.

Street railwaymen accepted "under protest" an agreement whereby they would receive a 45-cent a week cost-of-living bonus retroactive to Feb. 15, 1942. Their acceptance came late Thursday night, only a few hours before the 4 a.m. deadline they had set for a strike in case of failure to reach a settlement.

The agreement was suggested by the Regional War Labor Board after a special meeting in Vancouver Thursday and accepted soon afterwards by the B.C. Electric Railway Company, the second party to the dispute which arose when the railwaymen claimed a bonus retroactive to Oct. 1, 1941, and refused to accept the original ruling by the Labor Board that it be retroactive only to Aug. 7, 1942. The retroactive payments will cost the B.C.E.R. between \$20,000 and \$25,000 and will give each man approximately \$10.

B.C. Interior Returns

Additional election returns from B.C. interior points, including revision of mayoralty figures at Nelson, follow:

NELSON
Mayor—Mayor N. C. Stibbs (re-elected) 715; Ald. E. A. Mann 464.

Council—(Three seats): George Clertchew 662, Ald. Ross Fleming 588, Ald. H. H. Hinnitt 511, C. W. Tyler 470, J. P. Morgan 437, S. J. Newell 430.

School Board—G. A. Brown, Elias Fisher, F. T. Griffiths, Clarence Ward (acclamation). Police Commissioner—Fred N. Emmott (acclamation).

KASLO
Mayor—E. H. Latham (elected) 62, Gordon Bowker 61.

Council—(Two seats): Ald. E. W. Tinkness 66, Mrs. M. Whitaker 52, William Henderson 48, Mrs. M. J. Aydon 47.

School Board—(One seat): A. McGillivray 71, C. W. Webster 55.

KELOWNA
Mayor—Mayor G. A. McKay (acclamation).

Council—(Three seats, two-year terms): J. J. Ladd, W. B. Hughes-Games, G. W. Sutherland (acclamation).

(One seat, one-year term)—S. T. B. M. Miller 317, G. D. Herbert 244, Edward Newton 80.

TRAIL
Mayor—Mayor Herbert Clark (acclamation).

Council—(Three seats)—P. R. McDonald (re-elected), 449; Guy Sanborn (re-elected), 392; E. J. Provost (re-elected), 391; T. O. Davies, 274; F. M. Brennan, 224.

NELSON
Mayor—Mayor N. C. Stibbs (re-elected), 707; A. E. Mann, 461.

'Commandos Strike at Dawn'

Premiere Gets Fine Reception



Premier John Hart, left, and F. E. Winslow examine the cheque for over \$4,000 at a reception at Government House after the premiere. Louis Glazen, president of the Gyo Club, is at the right. He handed the cheque to Lieut.-Governor W. C. Woodward, in uniform.

By A. W.

"Commandos Strike at Dawn" had its world premiere Thursday night at the Capitol Theatre before 1,200 people, who contributed over \$4,000 for the comfort of the men of the navy, army and air force stationed on Vancouver Island. These are the men who are undergoing long, weary periods of duty on exposed and treacherous parts of the west coast, to check any attempt by an enemy to effect a landing, and bring to this island the same brutal treatment which has been imposed on the peaceful villagers of Norway, so vividly portrayed in the Commando film.

The premiere was not staged on Hollywood lines. It was in keeping with the wartime aspect of Victoria. No searchlights blazed, and the audience, for the most part, did not turn out in evening dress. The Garrison Band entertained the street crowd, which gathered to see the home-town celebrities arrive.

SUPPORTING PROGRAM

The Gyo Club, which sponsored the premiere, at the request of Lieutenant-Governor W. C. Woodward, received many well-merited congratulations. Their president, Louis Glazen, in announcing from the stage the amount which had been taken, said the club had had many headaches over the affair, and expressed his regrets that no film celebrities had been able to come from Hollywood. In order to build up a supporting program for the premiere, the club had been forced to call on talent available in the forces. No apologies because the artists from the forces proved a very pleasing revelation to the audience.

The R.C.N. Band, always popular, provided half an hour of musical numbers while the audience assembled. Then the R.C. A.F. swing orchestra took over, and played entertaining numbers as well as accompanying the vocalists.

One of the big discoveries of the evening was Gnr. Charles Hovey, whose rich bass-baritone was heard in three numbers: "Chloe," "The Lord's Prayer," and "Shortenin' Bread." Another was Writer Roger Greig of the navy, who came from Durban, South Africa. He appeared to be no stranger in front of a microphone, and his "White Christmas" was enjoyed. ACI Ted Warrior, an R.A.F. man, from Middlesbrough, with his banjo, presented a lively number, "Hindu Man," and Gnr. George Pinnington, humorously dressed, recited "King Harold."

WOMEN SOLOISTS

The women's divisions of the forces contributed two artists, AW2 Betty McKercher appearing as soloist with the R.C.A.F. orchestra, and Pte. Thelma Huff, singing two favorites, "My Hero," and "I'll See You Again." A tap dancer of top-rank ability was introduced in Sgt. Tom Ivey, who wore a single wing on his tunic.

Maj.-Gen. G. R. Pearkes, V.C., G.O.C.-in-chief, Pacific Command, took the stage before the film was shown, to thank the Gyros for their great contribution to the welfare of the servicemen under his command.

From this point on the Canadian forces are in command of the picture. In the plotting room of Commando headquarters in London several well-known Victorians are shown, with Commander Charlie Beard getting a close-up and a short speaking part. Lt. Gen. Kenneth Stuart, chief of staff, who was here at the time the film was taken also is shot close up.

The Commando party, made up entirely of local troops, board

a well-known Canadian auxiliary cruiser at the Outer Docks, just before dawn. The scenes aboard the cruiser are interesting and it was amusing to see her captain, whose name cannot be mentioned owing to censorship regulations, saluting a movie admiral/whose name can be mentioned, Cedric Hardwicke. Two close-ups of the cruiser steaming at top speed through a quiet sea, Saanich Arm, are good photography.

ACTUAL CONDITIONS

The production company was extremely fortunate in being able to enlist the support of the services. There was no acting on their part. They did all their jobs as highly-trained troops just as if they were in actual combat. The landing from the commando barge revealed this. Their ascent of the Malahat, scrambling across Goldstream and wire cutting, under the leadership of Maj. Robert Bowen (FO. Robert Coote, R.C.A.F.) showed excellent work. Coote, by the way, gives an admirable performance.

The best work in the picture is done at the airfield, when the commandos strike at dawn. There is unlimited action and the Canadians use the latest equipment which has been designed for this work and the commando close in technique for dealing with adversaries. Planes are blown to fragments, hand grenades are tossed with recklessness, men die, stretcher-bearers moved in and bandage wounded. The Germans in a last ditch stand handle a battery of guns (the Canadians used in the last war). This creates a difficult situation for the commandos but their close co-operation with their cruiser offshore, brings relief. For a few minutes the film switches back to the ship and there is ranging fire and then the salvos which silence the battery. The airfield is taken in a final sweep by the commandos.

They retire down the Malahat and here Torsen is advised by one of the sergeants (he happens to be Maj. Gus Sivert, M.M., public relations officer of Pacific Command, who was demoted to play the role that his daughter has disappeared from the village. Torsen starts off but Maj. Bowen catches him and the commandos decided to make another clean-up.

The next scene, reminiscent of an old Western thriller, brings the biggest cheer from the audience. The commandos race into the square and clean up the Germans, but both Maj. Bowen and Torsen are killed as they attempt to storm a German machine-gun nest.

The picture comes to a peaceful end as the cruiser steams back to England with the women from the village. They express the hope that they will one day return to their native land. The picture is a Lester Cowan production and released by Columbia Pictures.

SOUVENIR PROGRAM

In honor of the premiere the Department of Trade and Industry produced a souvenir program. It included pictures of and messages from Lieut.-Governor Woodward, Premier John Hart, Maj.-Gen. Pearkes, Commodore W. J. R. Beech, R.C.N., and Air Vice-Marshal L. F. Stevenson, R.C.A.F. Two full pages of shots from the picture are reproduced, and there is a synopsis of the story and "Why British Columbia was the chosen locale for 'Commandos Strike at Dawn'."

Special "safety" shoes are being manufactured for women workers, including a powder-plant shoe with an identification tip, showing whether its wearer has the right to be in certain parts of the plant.

Sweden Reports Nazis Feverish About Invasion

STOCKHOLM (AP)—Feverish German military activity pointing to a growing invasion complex is reported from Norway.

Hand-in-hand with this development, it was stated that the Norwegians, encouraged in their resistance by Allied successes, are conducting an active campaign to undermine the morale of the German soldiers occupying their land.

New security measures designed to further control of shipping, and forestall chances of a surprise attack during the long winter nights have been introduced along the coast.

Masars and Talsja fjords, near Stavanger, were reported closed to sea traffic, while at Trondheim only ships under 300 tons are permitted free movement. The Germans have warned that ships violating orders will be fired on, advises to Sweden said.

Moreover, barbed wire barricades now are being erected around constantly expanding defence zones to aid in protecting them against saboteurs.

SEND TROOPS NORTH

Norwegian advisers also said the Germans were sending considerable reinforcements into Finnmark, Norway's northernmost province.

The troops were said to be arriving there mainly by roads, which were started before the war, but have been finished since by forced labor. Although the route is slow because of 12 fjords which must be ferried, the reports said it was safer than shipping along the coast.

Russian submarines were said to be active off northern Norway, while the R.A.F. is sowing mines in various coastal areas.

Norwegian sources said the number of German escort and other vessels damaged in recent months was so heavy that wharves in the north were being towed south to Oslo for repairs.

Norwegians said the isolation of the long Arctic nights, the "cold shoulder" of the Norwegians and other factors were contributing to the breaking of the morale of the German soldiers.

Cumberland Election

CUMBERLAND—Election results in this municipality, apart from Mayor Alexander Maxwell's acclamation, were as follows: Council (three seats)—Joseph W. Watson, 120; William Henderson Jr., 106; George Shearer, 81; William Newman, 73; Daniel A. Banerman, 62. Park Board—Robert Aitken (acclamation). School Board—Robert Aitken, William Newman, W. S. Wood (acclamation). Police commissioner—William Henderson Jr. (acclamation).

Queen Not Yet Named As C.C.F. Candidate

WINNIPEG (CP)—Stanley H. Knowles, provincial secretary of the C.C.F. who recently was elected Member of Parliament in the Winnipeg North Centre by-election, said today no decision had been made yet as to who will contest Selkirk constituency for the party when a federal by-election is called there. He added the seat would be contested whether or not Hon. John Bracken, Progressive Conservative leader, sought it.

"Any mention of possible candidates for the riding to date must be considered just so much unfounded gossip," Mr. Knowles said.

(The Winnipeg Tribune Thursday said reports were current that Mayor John Queen of Winnipeg would be the C.C.F. candidate in the Selkirk constituency should Mr. Bracken contest the seat in a by-election.)

Noted Hotel Builder Dies in Montreal

MONTREAL (CP)—Robt. Henry Macdonald, 67, well-known Montreal architect who played a leading part in the rebuilding of Halifax after the explosion disaster of 1917, died in a hospital Wednesday.

A native of Melbourne, Australia, he was a member of the firm of Ross and Macdonald.

He was the designer of many of the country's better-known hotels and other buildings.

His firm designed the Fort Saskatchewan, Regina; Fort Garry Hotel, Winnipeg, and Macdonald Hotel, Edmonton.

Mr. Macdonald was a fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects and a fellow of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

He is survived by his wife, the former Mary Rutherford, and one son, Roderick D. Macdonald, director of the aircraft branch of the national department of national office in Washington.

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Today's WAR NEWS Analysis

By DE WITT MACKENZIE
Associated Press War Analyst

CAIRO (AP)—We shouldn't let the fascination of the Axis debacle in the Libyan desert prevent us from raising our eyes for a view of the tremendous potentialities of an Allied victory which will drive the Hitlerites into the sea.

The outcome of the whole war is immeasurably involved.

This historic battle is for control of that great arterial waterway—the Mediterranean.

It should be remembered this war is one of resources, coupled with the domination of the communications over which those resources must be moved to the theatres of action. From this standpoint the Mediterranean is one of the most vital among the strategic waters of the world.

VALUABLE SHORTCUT

Not only does it feed most of the countries adjacent to its shores, but it is the sole shortcut to the Orient.

The Allies suffered a disaster of the first magnitude when they lost control of Mare Nostrum. Britain and the United States could no longer use this shortcut to reach the countries of the eastern Mediterranean, India or Burma, through which China was being fed.

That meant a long haul south around Africa. It meant many weeks to move a convoy of troops

or supplies into Egypt by way of the Red Sea or to Russia through the Persian Gulf.

The Japs profited greatly from this Allied handicap. Had the Mediterranean route been open there might have been a different story to the start of the war with Hirohito's forces.

GREAT STEP FORWARD

Thus we see that the moment we drive the Axis out of northern Africa our progress toward final victory will be vastly accelerated. Allied air forces will then have bases from which they can drive the Axis air force from such strong positions as Sicily and Crete, which have hamstringing the main Mediterranean channels.

Once cargo ships can cross again from Gibraltar to the Suez Canal we shall have an entirely new situation. The whole Middle East and India can be reached comparatively quickly with supplies and troops. Aid for Russia through Persia and the Caucasus will be facilitated.

So the battle of the sands in north Africa is one of the basic operations of the entire war. Once Rommel and the Axis forces in Tunisia have been disposed of, a new heaven will open up for Allied forces, and it will be a new hell for Hitler.

Acquisition of strategic airbases will permit a new aerial offensive which will take Axis territory from stem to stern.

The cow was originally domesticated in Egypt neither for meat, milk nor transportation, but as a pet.

Sweet potatoes have now been added to the list of potential gasoline substitutes, being tried out in Africa.

World to Judge Colonial Status, Says Lord Hailey

TORONTO (AP)—Baron Hailey, member of the council of the Royal Institute of International Affairs, expressed belief in an address here today that "third party" interest in the self-government of colonial dependencies must be respected.

Addressing the Toronto Empire Club, Lord Hailey discussed the position of colonies in the British Empire and said it may be asked whether the British people alone "are to be the judges of when a people has arrived at a stage when self-government should be given them, or whether we alone are to judge if the measures we are taking to improve social conditions are sufficient."

He continued:

"There is, you will say, a third party interest in this matter. The rest of the world has its concern in these questions no less than the United Kingdom. I am one of those—and there are many of us—who hold that what is called the third party interest must be respected. This is what we would do:

"We would institute a regional council consisting not only of colonial powers, but of other nations interested in the areas in which the dependencies lie. There might, for instance, be such a council for the Pacific area, another for the African area, and a third for the West Indies.

TO REVIEW PROGRESS

"They would have the definite function of advising on the progress achieved both in political and social matters in the areas with which they were concerned. They would, in particular, make a periodical review of the progress made toward self-government. They would have an expert staff for advising on economic, health, social and similar problems. They would thus bring to bear on all these questions the invaluable influence of public opinion."

Lord Hailey, who attended the recent conference on Pacific relations at Mont Tremblant, Que., as chairman of the United Kingdom delegation, said the British Commonwealth has but one aim and one objective—"to bring these people to standing in which they may rank, not as our subjects, but as equals with whom we stand in trust, but as real partners in that great society of free and equal peoples."

The term "white elephant" comes from P. T. Barnum's expensive efforts to bring back one of these prized Siamese animals; when he finally succeeded the public was disillusioned because it wasn't a white elephant, but a grey with pink blotches.

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Lieut. Peter Sychev of the Red Army grins broadly as he tries on a Balachava helmet knitted by Clara Scale of Stamford, Conn. His equally pleased companions, holding their allotment of gifts from America are: Lieut. Brichlevsky and Sgt. Yudin, right.

From the front-lines of shattered, burning Stalingrad, where German attacks are fought from block to block, women all over North America have recently received letters from Red Army men, thanking them for gifts of warm winter garments.

Hundreds of wool scarfs, hoods, sweaters and mittens were knitted by women volunteers. They were made last summer at club meetings, bridge parties, during vacations, lunch hours and

even on subways and buses going to work. The gifts arrived in time to bring warm comfort to the fighters as the red Russian winter settled its icy grip on the front.

Russian soldiers and ambulance girls, upon receiving the parcels, look first of all to see whether there is a note or a letter of some kind, according to the New York Russian Relief Office, which recently received the "thank you" letters by transoceanic clipper.

Washington Spotlight

By J. F. SANDERSON

WASHINGTON (CP)—It often is stated, and with considerable truth, that widespread ignorance of Canada exists in the United States, in comparison with the fund of general knowledge possessed by the average Canadian on conditions in the United States.

If you sat in the Washington office of the Canadian War-time Information Board, listening to telephone queries and reading the inquiries that come in by mail, you might begin to realize that a genuine and widespread demand exists for factual knowledge of Canada.

The W.I.B.'s Washington office has received hundreds of questions relating to Canada, serious questions from teachers, trade associations, writers, school children and government agencies, not from people anxious to settle a barroom argument. The office averages 30 letters a week from children seeking general information not found in their school histories or geographies.

Some of the questions may sound frivolous and some disclose an ignorance which, to Canadians, is alarming. For instance, someone wanted to know whether French or English is spoken in Edmonton and where the place is. It turned out to be from a United States army officer who was moving his family there, and what he really wanted to know was what educational facilities were available for his children.

Somebody else wanted to know the caloric content of the Canadian soldier's ration, but he could not be told because that's a secret. A school boy wanted a Canadian flag to complete his collection of all the United Nations. Another was puzzled by the initials "C.C.F." Relatives of Americans in the Canadian forces seek information on dependents' allowances and other related topics and whether they can go to Canada.

Most of the questions reflect thought on the part of those seeking the information. There have been dozens of questions on the constitutional position of Canada within the British Commonwealth, some that would puzzle the Supreme Court. Postwar planning in Canada is an active subject of inquiry and so is, naturally, every phase of Canada's war effort. Rationing and wartime controls form a fertile field.

The Washington office does its best to provide specific and detailed information on all inquiries and sometimes that's a job, usually requiring assistance from Ottawa. One of the difficulties seems to be that no handbook has been written for distribution to teachers and children who write in for "all information of Canada."

It's easy to find out how many doctors there are in Canada, detail the Canadian income tax law or gasoline rationing regulations or distribute "current wartime literature, but that isn't what school children desire. It might be a good investment for Canada to print a handbook designed for

distribution among American school children and then, perhaps, the next generation would not be seen driving across the border in July with skis strapped to their cars.

A Washington department store, in trouble with the Office of Price Administration over retail ceilings, claims:

1. Its price bureau now has three bound volumes totaling 13,423 pages of closely printed, small-type text, containing 11,000,000 to 12,000,000 words of government regulations and interpretations.

2. It is spending \$40,000 a year on its price compliance bureau with 27 full-time employees, including two lawyers.

3. A regulation involving the price of toilet paper took a lawyer and three store executives five days, at full time, to dope out and make understandable.

4. Admitting it was impossible to keep up with all regulations and interpretations, a store official said: "If the penalty for failure to comply with all the O.P.A. regulations is hanging, then we will hang."

Franklin D. Roosevelt, the 31st President of the United States, now has spent \$20,000,000,000 more than his 30 predecessors in 143 years.

Church Board Approves New Liquor Reduction

TORONTO (CP)—The executive of the board of evangelism and social service of the United Church of Canada passed a resolution Thursday praising Prime Minister King's temperance speech and new liquor regulations he announced.

"We regret that beer production is left at a level approximately 50 per cent above that of prewar days," the resolution says, in part. "The new regulations re wine and spirits are admirable. We especially commend the banning of all liquor advertising for the duration of the war."

The closing paragraph of the resolution says: "Whereas Mr. E. P. Taylor, head of the largest brewery merger in Canada . . . and other prominent representatives of liquor interests now occupy strategic positions on certain government boards, we urge that these gentlemen be relieved of such positions and be replaced by men wholly in sympathy with the principles and program set forth in the Prime Minister's address."

Share in Attack

AUCKLAND (CP)—Defence Minister Frank Jones has disclosed that New Zealand airmen are taking part in the defence of Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands. "Our air force has taken a further step forward in the operations zone of the south Pacific and has recently engaged in active operations against the Japanese," he said.

Venezuela buys about half of all its imports from the United States.

Letters to Editor

Correspondents are reminded to use one side of the paper only, to write legibly, and to keep their communications within a reasonable length. A short note with a point convincingly emphasized, has a better chance of publication than one with "scored" oblongitudes.

INVOKES GOLDEN RULE

I have thought a long time about this and at last have a few minutes in which to write this letter. What brought it to my mind was an article which appeared in your paper. The article was entitled "Be a Christmas Host to the Service Men."

I think that this is a splendid idea and those who do it are worthy of the highest praise. I don't think, however, that the citizens of Victoria are co-operating as much as they should. The citizens don't seem to realize how much home life and home-cooked meals means to a man in the services. I admit that they get the best of the food in the services, but it is a change of atmosphere that they want, and you, citizens, are the only ones who can give it to the men, by letting them enjoy the comforts of your home for the evening.

There are the canteens, Y.M.C.A., hostess clubs, etc., but they are almost always crowded.

I think this is a duty of the people, and should be carried out all through the year as well as at Christmas. Some of you must have a spare room or sofa on which you could put up a man for the night or week-end.

So, dear citizens, climb off your high horses; bring your noses down from out of the clouds, and get your feet on the good earth and show the men how friendly you can be. Remember the Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

JOHN MALCOLM.

McClure Street, Dec. 16.

THANKS TO NURSE SEYMOUR

May I, on behalf of the elderly lady residents of the Balmoral Hotel, gratefully thank you for your human and sympathetic letter?

It came as a bombshell to them and the elderly men, to have a written notice given them to vacate their rooms on a month's notice at this time of the year. I thought the government notice time was three months. It was heart-breaking to meet them and to hear their sad report after walking in the "soaking rain," going from place to place, finding no accommodation at their ages (75, 76, 73, 70, 69 and 63), all good citizens.

We cannot help age coming on, and we cannot help small finances, in many cases. Elderly people, at their time of life, should have a velvet pillow for their last few years.

Our Divine Master's words will pass on, I am sure. Protect the widow, she has no earthly protector when she becomes a widow. Only those who are widows learn the cruelty of our fellowmen and women—when you are alone and no one left to fight for you.

It has been arranged that the number of the elderly residents will remain. Those who hurt the aged and the widow, have hurt themselves more than us. Their conscience ever speaks. We cannot leave this earth till the last call comes. I thank you again for your kind, human thought for those who need sympathy and kindness, and bid you the season's greetings.

ETHEL FINMORE.
Balmoral Hotel, Victoria, B.C.
Dec. 16.

'NO INTIMIDATED PRISONER'

In reply to Mr. W. D. Munro of Colquitz, may I be permitted to quote from an article of the eminent secular journalist, Felix Morley, who, in the Washington Star, pays glowing tribute to the activities of His Holiness Pope Pius XII to ameliorate the sufferings caused by the war. Mr. Morley's article was prompted by the recent visit to Vatican City of Myron C. Taylor, President Roosevelt's personal representative at the Holy See, and reads in part as follows:

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Vancouver Asks Dimout Be Avoided

VANCOUVER (CP)—A special civic committee has decided to ask A.R.P. authorities to withdraw their order extending dimout restrictions to Vancouver next Jan. 15. The committee will try to convince A.R.P. authorities the ordered shielding of Vancouver's 8,000 street lights is useless and impracticable.

City Electrician Thomas Martin told the committee it would cost \$9,967 to paint out the upper portions of light bulbs or \$13,985 to equip them with metal cones.

Alderman G. C. Miller said he had heard that the shading of street lights in Victoria had proved "a nuisance, especially when you're driving."

Greeks Food

OTTAWA (CP)—Regular shipments of the monthly 15,000-ton gift of wheat from Canada to the people of Greece are going forward, it was learned from official sources here, and the government is satisfied this food is reaching the Greek people safely.

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What Will He Say?

UNTIL PREMIER JOHN BRACKEN speaks into the microphone and takes the country a little way into his confidence next Monday, the Canadian people can only speculate on the course he proposes to map out for the organization he has been chosen to lead. In the few days which have elapsed since the Conservative Party changed its name, for the 10th time, neither the old line stalwarts nor the disciples of the gospel according to Port Hope have had sufficient time adequately to reflect on the implications of the Winnipeg convention. A week ago today, of course, both schools of thought were intoxicated by the glamour of those proceedings. A new day had dawned; bright sun shone down the path along which the new chief would guide the "rejuvenated" party.

But we wonder what the passage of even so short a time is beginning to produce in the minds of those Conservatives who stand for policies which always have been, and always will be—if Mr. Bracken be still true to his convictions—antithetical to the Manitoba Premier. Supposing, for example, the leader of the Progressive Conservative Party tells the people of Canada in his broadcast address next Monday evening that he will insist on a Canadian tariff which will enable the farmers of the west to obtain their implements of production at a much lower cost than they have had to meet in the past, what will the special pleaders and the high protectionists have to say about such a plank for their streamlined party? And what else can they expect their new leader to advocate? However, perhaps even they, at long last, are trying to read the signs of the times in order to be able to face the future and its problems with some show of realism. For if it is true that Mr. Bracken consented to allow his name to go before the convention on the strict understanding that he could write his own ticket, so to speak, the traditionalist should prepare for the worst.

The significance of Mr. Bracken's leadership, however, is no longer the sole concern of the Progressive Conservative Party. And it can be divorced from the name's contradiction of terms. It must be taken as a sign and a portent for the government of Mr. Mackenzie King—a clarion call for the Prime Minister and his colleagues to justify more fully the name of Liberal. It is no secret that some of the policies which the administration has pursued from time to time have not offended even the fine susceptibilities of Mr. Meighen and the interests he represented. It would never do, then, for Mr. Bracken to sit on the left of Mr. Speaker and issue a demand for such tariff concessions as have always shocked the old-line Conservatives of their former leader's persuasion—and which, incidentally, have not won the approval of some of Mr. King's colleagues. In any event, the position of the Prime Minister, especially in respect of fiscal policy, will be strengthened by the change in the opposition party's leadership.

A Major Achievement

SINCE SEPTEMBER, 1939, CANADA HAS launched 300 ships of war, delivered more than 70 cargo vessels of 10,000-ton capacity, completed 1,100 smaller craft, and has more than 2,000 of these under construction. Two destroyers of the Tribal class and an indefinite number of frigates, which are really small-sized destroyers, are included in the construction under way.

The country's shipbuilding program continues to grow, the expansion during the last three months alone being 20 per cent. Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Munitions and Supply, in a speech last week said contracts are being carried out in 21 major shipyards and 58 smaller yards, scattered along the St. Lawrence and the Great Lakes, as well as on the Pacific and Atlantic coasts. In these yards are now more than 50,000 workers, with a rising percentage of women among the new employees now being taken on.

Canada's development as a great shipbuilding nation will be set down in history as a first-class achievement of the war's early years. At the outbreak of the conflict our shipbuilding facilities were small and often antiquated—left-overs from the shipbuilding boom of the last war. Few craftsmen were employed, mostly in repair yards. But from the small nucleus the industry was expanded with a speed that seems nothing short of amazing, now that we are able to look back and note what was really accomplished.

The government, be it remembered, combed the country for men with shipbuilding skills, supplemented these with imported labor, and trained new men—and now also women—in the business. There was no neglect of the manpower problem so far as it affected shipbuilding. From this policy resulted a steadily-increasing volume of new tonnage to replace losses and keep supplies flowing overseas. It made possible a contribution essential to the very ability of the United Nations to maintain their war effort during months past.

Pétain, the sorriest figure in recent French history, is now made to denounce Darlan for helping the United Nations to save France. Pétain talks about being insulted. Well, if all that Hitler and Laval have done to him has not accustomed him to insults, he is insult-proof.

Report From Turkey

ONE OF THE SPEAKERS ON THE March of Time program last night—a roving agent of Washington's Office of War Information, "drafted" to the magazine's studio—had been in Istanbul just two weeks earlier and was able to give his own unbiased impression of Turkey's present attitude toward the war. In general terms, his report underscored the frequent references we have made in these columns during the last two years, not only to the meticulous propriety which has marked the diplomacy of the men of Ankara under exacting circumstances, but also to the solemnity with which the government of this important neutral state regards its contractual obligations—particularly in respect of the mutual assistance pact with Great Britain.

Briefly put, the O.W.I. official assured his invisible audience that if the Axis decide to attack Turkish territory, or otherwise threaten her integrity, the totalitarians would be in for the fight of their lives. By another token, a woefully-unprepared nation, in the military sense, of even a year ago, is no longer suffering from any kind of inferiority complex. Numerous airfields constructed by British engineers, for example, are in readiness for use by planes of the United Nations; and, it will be recalled, President Roosevelt the other day assured the Ankara government of his country's prompt assistance in the event of an enemy attack. British and American munitions of war are also piling up in Turkey.

Of especial interest was the O.W.I. official's confirmation of the general belief that wily Nazi ambassador Franz von Papen no longer is able to impress the realists who compose Premier Sukru Saracoglu's government by the application of his own type of diplomatic salesmanship. For example, two weeks ago the March of Time's guest speaker saw Marshal Goering's special plane arrive in Istanbul loaded with all "the trimmings" for still another of the receptions for which the German envoy has become renowned—a technique by which he has sought to influence and impress the so-called best people of the Levantine republic and persuade them that the Nazi philosophy is nothing like as difficult to absorb as some folk have tried to make out. Of the 500 invited to the gathering for which the champagne and caviar had been imported, however, less than 40 turned up. The moral of the O.W.I. official's report, then, would seem to be that if Hitler is badly in need of new trouble, he will find it if he violates the political and territorial integrity of the Republic of Turkey.

Canada-U.S. Trade

UNTIL RECENTLY, THE EXCHANGE position of Canada in relation to the United States has been generally favorable. Exportation of gold, newspaper, wood and pulp netted us between \$400,000,000 and \$500,000,000 per annum. In addition, under the Hyde Park Agreement, Canada shipped considerable quantities of ammunition and other war materials to the United States, estimated at about \$500,000,000 worth. These sums were sufficient to meet all the dollar requirements of the Dominion, particularly in view of the fact that imports of unessential articles from the United States were drastically curtailed. In recent weeks, however, the fear has been expressed that there may be a shortage of American exchange in Canada, due to the decline in production of gold as well as in newspaper and paper. In addition, considerable quantities of raw materials are being shipped from the United States to this country to be manufactured into war materials. Furthermore, now that the production of these commodities in the United States has increased, it is feared that shipments of ammunition and other war materials from Canada to the Republic may decline.

It is not likely, however, that a shortage of United States dollar exchange will occur in the immediate future. As a result, the output of war materials is of the utmost importance. The need for such products is great and it is doubtful whether the United States will adopt a policy which may lead to the curtailment of importation of such commodities from the Dominion. Incidentally, too, the prevailing sentiment in Washington suggests that Canada need not concern herself about a dollar shortage.

Britain's Tanks in 1940

MUCH THAT MR. CHURCHILL HAS said about Hitler and his Nazi philosophy must have caused the Fuehrer of the Germans many anxious hours. But we wonder that when Corporal Schickelgruber reads the British Prime Minister's remarks about the military condition of Great Britain in the early summer of 1940 he will literally tear his hair and curse himself for not ordering an invasion of the tight littleisle immediately after Dunkerque. In the House of Commons Tuesday, Mr. Churchill said the British Army had only 100 tanks on June 11 of that fateful year, and even these were of a type too weak to stand up against the German anti-tank guns—as the Battle of France had revealed.

After France had collapsed, Mr. Churchill missed no opportunity of reminding the people of Britain that an invasion might be expected at any time; until comparatively recently he repeated his warnings and urged the utmost vigilance. Even now he does not discount the possibility of an attempt. At this late stage, however, and especially in view of Hitler's numerous provocations elsewhere, it is scarcely likely the Fuehrer will desire to court the disaster which would assuredly befall him were he to test his intuition to this extent. He is finding it sufficiently difficult to keep the true situation on more than one battlefield from the German people without indulging in an adventure foredoomed to failure.

Bruce Hutchison

COLD WEATHER

GOING TO WINNIPEG on the train the other day I fell in with 50 fine young lads who had just been graduated from the Gordon Head officers' training school. One and all they were eager to return to Ontario and the prairies so that they could get warm. None of them had been warm at any time during our Victoria autumn—this, though the autumnal season as one of the mildest and most pleasant on record. The cold of the prairies, said these lads, was not cold because it was so dry and they argued their point so vigorously that, as I prepared to get off the train at Winnipeg, I thrust aside my overcoat and wished I had brought along my khaki shorts.

Well, I just wish to set down a scientific finding on the weather of the prairies. I am aware that the scientists will all dispute it, that the prairie dwellers will all deny it, that Mr. George Ferguson of the Winnipeg Free Press will write a scurrilous piece about it. But nevertheless, though no one will credit anything I say, I am bound to report that even when the air is dry, 21 degrees below zero in Winnipeg is a trifle chilly. I cannot help thinking, despite the young officers' observations, that 60 degrees above zero in Victoria, is warmer. I admit, of course, to prejudice, but I cite one last item of evidence. Mr. Ferguson, who writes so scurrilously about our climate, who brags so fiercely about his own, appeared proudly with his autumn overcoat, refusing to wear the furs of winter; but on closer inspection, it was discovered that he wore beneath this false outer crust a heavy woolen sweater, and the heater of his car was always going full blast. Even then he shivered. A Winnipeg will go to almost any lengths to defend his climate and discredit ours.

VAGUE IMPRESSIONS

BUT IT WAS NOT of these trivial things I had intended to speak today. I had intended to return here among my fellow townsmen with great tidings from Winnipeg, with a picture of the true inwardness of the newly-born Progressive Conservative Party, with some inkling of what lies before us. I find this is far too long a story for this space, and far too complicated for a reporter who has lived for a week-end in a smoke-filled bedroom and all that goes therewith.

A few impressions only, concerning the new national figure who arises out of the snows of the prairies. Mr. Bracken is not the kind of man you probably imagine. You picture him, or so I suppose, as a kind of simple, plain-speaking farmer from the prairies who has stumbled accidentally into politics, a Canadian Lincoln, perhaps, at the end of the Illinois era. Mr. Bracken is nothing of the sort. He is a politician by nature as surely as Mr. King. A politician, that is to say, in the best sense, the kind of man essential to the functioning of democracy.

He is not simple. He is not bluff and hearty and frank. He is subtle, secretive and masterly. He tells no one anything of importance and once sworn to two new cabinet ministers and left town without telling his old colleagues what was under way. He fought the Conservative Party for years and it fought him and then he absorbed it at Winnipeg, a feat which can only be compared to Jonah swallowing the whale. He is a master of compromise and balance, and his act of holding Liberals, Progressives, Conservatives, Socialists and Social Crediters together in one cabinet can only be compared to Blondin's walk across Niagara Falls on a tightrope carrying a man in evening clothes.

HE LOVES THE GAME

THIS IS ALL to the good. Canada, a country of sprawling and diverse interests, must always be a compromise and a compromiser must lead it. In this essential aspect Bracken is well able to lead it. He is able to lead it in courage and determination. He has also the fierce drive of ambition, as King has. And he loves the game, as King does.

Both of them are lonely men, confiding in hardly anyone. King makes no secret of his hermit ways, remains out of his office for days at a time, confined to the attic of Laurier House or the farm in the Gattineau Hills. Bracken moves among men more, attends service club luncheons, visits farming towns, stops by the rail fence and knows every inhabited yard of Manitoba. But Bracken's protective coloration is as serviceable as King's. He may circulate among men but he tells them little. The cards are always close to his vest. The fine, handsome face, the simple courtesy, the warm handshake, and the penetrating look all shield the man behind. Bracken appears to be a team player but he is really a lone wolf. And the Little Red Riding Hoods of the Conservative Party will find that out.

THE CANADIAN

PERHAPS THIS DETACHMENT IS essential to leadership. In times like these a leader can trust few people. But whatever you may say about these things in Bracken there remains one sterling and overriding quality—this man is a Canadian, one of the most typical and authentic in our history. He is as much a product of our soil as the prairie wheat. He is the Canadian who has worked with his hands and learned to work with his mind. He is the product of the Ontario bush farm, the prairie wheat farm and the human struggle of Canadian democracy.

They asked him after the convention if he regarded himself as a Conservative or a Progressive. He replied that he regarded himself as a Canadian. This was a politician's reply, but an able one. But it was true.

SIDE GLANCES



"Oh, these plastic and cardboard toys won't disappoint my little boy—it's his father I have to worry about!"

Introducing Sir Wm. Beveridge

RICHARD L. STROUT
in Christian Science Monitor

The historic report of Sir William Beveridge proposing a far-reaching extension of the already complex British social security system to insure a national minimum for every citizen, in every income group, under every circumstance of want, has already become a subject of controversy. Let me put down some notes of an interview I had with him a few weeks ago.

Sir William was director of the famous London School of Economics from 1919 to 1937, and is now head of one of the great colleges of Oxford and has been associated with British social security reforms since the days of Mr. David Lloyd George. For the war he has given up his Oxford house and taken a flat, and three nights of the week he sleeps in the basement of his London club—basements having taken a new value since the blitz.

As we had dinner, Sir William commented to the waiter, evidently an old retainer of the place, about the "bomb which wrecked the famous old club just next door. He was eating at that corner table there, he said, pointing to it, but after the bomb went off he was under that table across the room. The waiter respectfully recalled that he himself had ended up under the buffet, on the same occasion, with the massive silver tureens on top of him.

As a youth Sir William made high scholarship records at Oxford, but after reading the famous "Condition of the People" gave up the bar, for which he was fitting, and came to live at the settlement, Toynbee Hall, in the London slums. He started work on the "Committee for Dealing With Unemployment" in 1903, came to know the Webbs who

left Sir William in his famous club, preparing to make up a bridge "four" with his cronies, and stepped out again into the blacked-out London street. I reflected that wartime has produced an intellectual ferment in Britain, and that the Beveridge report is symptomatic of something very basic that is going on, the search for a better postwar world that will justify to the common man all the sacrifices and hardships he is now making. Whether or not it takes the form marked out by Sir William Beveridge, the great document undoubtedly gives him a place in history.

WAR—25 YEARS AGO TODAY
Dec. 18, 1917—Austrian troops stormed Monte Asolene above the San Lorenzo Valley. German artillery active along the River Meuse on Western front. Air raid on Kent, Essex and London area; 10 killed, 75 injured; two enemy planes shot down.

A DAILY DOUBLE
From Stratford Beacon-Herald
The way things are working out at Stalingrad and in north Africa, it looks as though the United States have picked a Daily Double.

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But everyone seems to be cheerful about it and they all seem to like it. The way things are working out at Stalingrad and in north Africa, it looks as though the United States have picked a Daily Double.

A WHITE CHRISTMAS?

From Tidewater News—
The No. 1 tune on radio's "Hit Parade," authoritative gauge of popular music, is currently "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas." If you doubt its popularity just stick your head out of the window and the evidence will be forthcoming in short order. However, we doubt if all of those who sing, hum or whistle Mr. Berlin's infectious fancy grasp the implications of a white Christmas this year.
For one thing there is fuel rationing. For another there is the rationing of rubber boots. These deficiencies might make a white Christmas less comfortable inside or out than in pre-ration days. The sentiment in the Berlin ditty is appealing and its seasonableness bids fair to keep it at the head of the "Hit Parade" till New Year's Day, at least, but

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personally we admire snow most on a Currier & Ives print, and would just as soon have it Dec. 25 on a Christmas card.

SWEDEN'S COFFEE AND TOBACCO
From "News From Sweden"
An increase of about 1½ ounces of tobacco was to be granted heavy smokers in Sweden if they would forego their entire ration of coffee during a recent ten-week period. Tobacco rationing in Sweden began June 1, smokers being allowed about 5½ ounces a month. On Oct. 1, coffee was rationed at about 8½ ounces, to cover the period to Dec. 1.

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Maximum Output Must Be Planned

HALIFAX (CP) — Canada's job in 1943 "will be the job of handling men and women" to give maximum production and to provide the maximum number for the armed forces, Defence Minister Ralston told a service club here Thursday.

"I believe there are men available in Canada to fill the requirements of the armed services," he said, but he explained that to keep these thousands fighting more women must go into industry and men not militarily fit be transferred from nonessential to essential tasks.

Also, he said, essential workers would not be taken into the armed services. He told how 80 per cent of the applications for deferment from military service on the part of farmers had been granted.

"There are 1,000,000 men and

women working in Canadian munition factories today," he said, "and this year \$1,000,000,000 worth of munitions will be sent to Britain."

Col. Ralston mentioned the problems of postwar reconstruction.

"I fear discussion of postwar matters might distract our minds from the task at hand," he explained, adding that this task was "to see now that there will be a postwar world."

"Our first duty is to destroy the enemy," he continued. "And we can decide what design our new world will take after the fire is out."

COFFEE BLACK MARKET

STOCKHOLM (CP) — Notwithstanding severe penalties black market activities still continue in Berlin according to the Swedish newspaper, Nya Dagligt Allehanda, "Coffee sells there for the equivalent of \$40 a pound."

Fuel Board Plans

OTTAWA (CP) — A Prices Board spokesman said here that while the Prices Board had asked provincial authorities to set up community fuel control boards through the co-operation of municipalities, there had been no suggestion the Dominion constitute such boards.

He was commenting on a statement by Premier John Hart of British Columbia that in an effort to overcome a fuel shortage, community fuel control boards would be established by the federal government in co-operation with provincial and municipal authorities.

More than a month ago, Donald Gordon, chairman of the Prices Board, asked premiers of the nine provinces to seek the help of municipal administrations in establishing fuel boards and taking such other measures as would obviate a threatened shortage of fuel in 1943.

No Reserve Drafting For While, Says Ralston

HALIFAX (CP) — Defence Minister Ralston said at a press conference here there would be no drafting of men for the reserve army as long as "the present very gratifying and very encouraging response" to appeals for recruits continued.

Medical requirements, he said, had been relaxed only "very slightly" despite the need for men in the services, and at present Canada's standard was "half way between" the British and United States demands.

He said the number of men called for home defence who volunteered for active service was "keeping to a good percentage."

Asked if Canada could equip men as quickly as they were being called up, the minister answered "Yes," adding that the Dominion was not only supplying her own men but was helping her Allies in that sphere.

Canadian Army May Fight Soon, Says McNaughton

By ROSS MUNRO

SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND (CP) — Lt. Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton indicated the Canadian army may see action before long and, discussing the general progress of the war, said: "I definitely think there is the glint of a dawn on the horizon."

In an interview following a demonstration of the Canadian army's strength on the third anniversary of the landing of the first contingent in Britain, the army commander was asked: "Do you think you are going to get your chance soon?"

"I don't think it is likely to be long delayed," he replied.

The Canadian army has not seen much action "due to chance circumstances of the war as they developed," the commander said.

HAD MANY PLANS
"In the war against Germany many plans were prepared. North Africa was one of them. The ones we were studying just didn't happen to be north Africa."

"It has been clearly pointed out before that there are no strings whatsoever to employment of the Canadian army. We desire only that it should be used to the best advantage against the enemy."

Gen. McNaughton said the Canadian army is in the closest collaboration with a planning staff in London.

"We have had a number of operations in view," he said, "some of which we got started on and which were never disclosed because they were called off. There were a number of things which just came short of troops moving."

"We never know that perhaps in a matter of days we may launch into something that will lead to a clash with the enemy. We have to keep vigilant and ready for this."

FINE STAFF WORK

Speaking of the August Canadian-led raid on Dieppe, Gen. McNaughton said: "I don't suppose there ever has been an operation in history which was more carefully studied than this one. Some of the tactical lessons of Dieppe, he said, were applied in the Allied north African invasion and some adjustments were made in the north African plans as a result of experiences gained in the raid on the French coast."

The general said the north African invasion was one of the "most magnificent pieces of staff work ever carried out."

Asked about new troop arrivals from Canada he said: "Up to date we have used and will continue to use every ship we can beg, borrow or steal for their transport."

Speaking of the army generally, Gen. McNaughton said that from many points of view there are definite military advantages in keeping a force like Canada's together for major operations.

"This doesn't exclude the possibility, however, that some time in the future it may be necessary to form a force of British, Canadian, American, Australian or South American formations or of formations from other Allied countries."

Christmas Parties

Glenlyon Preparatory School Christmas entertainment was held at St. Mary's Hall Thursday. The Junior Forms presented a program of recitations and a sketch in which pirates predominated.

An adaptation of a Swedish story, "The Cap That Mother Made," was the choice of Form 3, the principal parts being taken by Mainguy 2, and Patey. Form Lower 4 received great applause for the burlesque, "The Fish Shop," in which Cousland, Williams, Napier-Hemy, Hanna and Dunlop 1, were the principal actors.

A short sketch entitled "It's a Small World" brought out the dramatic talent of Wilson 2, Kerbey and Lee.

The Senior Form play "Elegant Edward" was carried through with great elan, Boyes and Grew having the leading parts and being ably supported by Ryland, Nash and Crane.

A feature of the afternoon was the singing of songs and carols. The entertainment closed with a tribute to the men of the forces, appropriate recitations being given by Mainguy 3, Impey, Clark and Booth.

A collection in aid of the Red Cross was taken and a cheque for \$40 was presented to the Oak Bay Unit.

Rotarians, Thursday, noon, were hosts to their wives at their annual Christmas luncheon, at which 15 turkeys were given away. Film Grainger presented a talking motion picture entitled "The Battle For Oil."

Phone Calls East Will Be Delayed at Christmas

Important Notice Regarding Christmas and New Year's Calls to the Prairies, Eastern Canada and United States

IF YOU are thinking of telephoning to someone outside British Columbia this Christmas, remember that there will be long delays on Christmas Eve and Christmas day, due to the large number of calls. Last year these delays ran as high as twelve hours and this year the situation may be worse. It is likely that many calls will not be completed at all because of lack of time.

You are therefore urged to do your calling several days before Christmas or several days after. This applies to calls to the Prairies, Eastern Canada, or the United States.

There will also be a telephone traffic jam on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day, and you are advised to avoid this also by telephoning several days before New Year's Day or several days after.

On long-distance calls to points within British Columbia, delays will occur on some lines. At times these delays will probably amount to several hours on calls between Vancouver Island and the mainland, between the coast and the Okanagan, and between the coast and the Kootenays.

Last Christmas less than half the calls placed to points outside British Columbia were completed. There was simply not enough time to get the calls through. This year, owing to war conditions, the traffic is expected to be even greater, and there is nothing the telephone systems can do to provide more circuits.

Nothing will be gained by placing your call days ahead of the time you want the call completed. No priority on such calls can be given.

It is impossible to give a definite time at which a call will be completed. If you place a call to a point outside British Columbia, you may be told that there will be a delay of so many hours on your call, but at the end of that time you may be told of still another delay of so many hours. The calls pour into the telephone offices across the country in such volume that no accurate prediction of the time of completion is possible. Time on the trans-Canada circuits is rationed among the various parts of the country so that each can put through its fair proportion of calls.

We realize fully what great pleasure these long-distance telephone calls bring to people at the holiday season; we know what personal inconvenience is caused when delays occur in completing the calls; and we regret exceedingly that there is no feasible way of solving the problem at this time.

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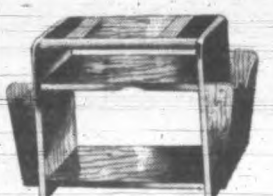
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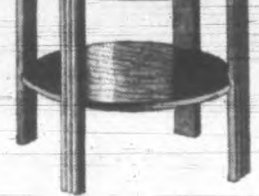
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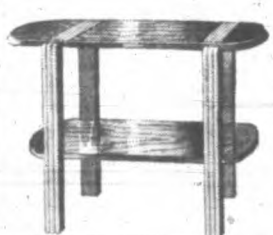
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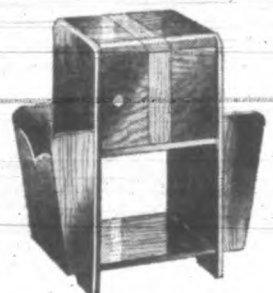
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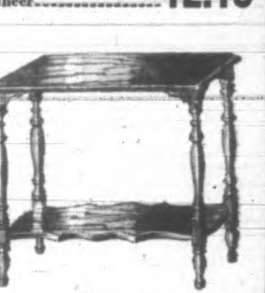
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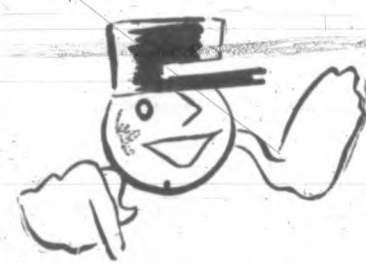


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B.C. ELECTRIC

Lions See Film On Reforestation

Victoria Lions, Thursday noon, saw a technicolor movie on reforestation in British Columbia, shown by Harold B. McWilliams, in charge of reforestation for the B.C. Forest Service.

Before showing the film, Mr. McWilliams said reforestation in this province had only been operated on a large scale within the last three or four years. Between 1931 and 1938 only 1,000,000 new trees were planted. In 1940 alone a similar amount was planted, and in 1941 the forest service reached its peak with the planting of 8,500,000 on 10,000 acres. In the spring of this year, 6,000,000 trees were planted on 8,000 acres.

Seeds are matured in the nurseries for one year and then allowed to grow on their own for another year before they are re-

moved and planted in the logged and burned-off areas. He said spreading seed in these areas was not successful because animals, birds and drought destroyed many of them.

Members of the Lions Club brought Christmas toys with them to the meeting, and it was unanimously voted that these toys be turned over to the Salvation Army for distribution among Victoria's underprivileged children.

R. J. Peers, president, announced that \$547.38 was collected in the Lions' recent tag day, and all would be turned over to the British Child War Victims' Fund.

November Salvage Brought in \$2,671

November cash sales of Victoria branch of the Salvage Corps were \$2,671, A. H. Pease, honorary manager, stated.

Paper brought in \$454; metals, \$1,058; bottles and glass, \$360; rubber, \$460; rags, \$263, and miscellaneous, \$71.

The corps is making plans to collect bones and fats.

"We are now accepting donations of rendered fat on our trucks and at our office and de-

Santa's Victory Christmas



pot," says the monthly bulletin, issued on scrap paper. "It is hoped that housewives will render all fat possible, but if necessary we will accept household scrap fats which have not been rendered. Bones will be accepted by our trucks if fresh and packed in sacks or boxes."

All city salvage workers, at the barn, in the office or on the trucks are invited to attend a turkey luncheon at the Cloverdale depot next Wednesday at 1 p.m. The turkeys have been donated by a well-wisher. Everyone will have to bring his or her own plate, knife, fork, cup and sugar.

Can Salvage Plan Backed on Mainland

Success in his preliminary efforts to secure co-operation of Vancouver and New Westminster in a three-city salvage campaign to save scrap metal and tin in discarded cans was reported by Ald. B. J. Gadsden today on his return from Vancouver.

The alderman said he had interviewed Mayor J. W. Cornett who viewed the scheme sympathetically, and had talked to W. H. Mansfield, New Westminster,

a retired former employee of the American Can Co.

The latter, Ald. Gadsden said, would come to Victoria early in the new year to discuss arrangements with the council.

At conferences in Vancouver, he added, freight costs were discussed along with methods of preparing discarded cans for shipment to the Metal & Thermite Corporation of San Francisco, the closest important can salvage firm on the continent.

"Medicine" is the leading career for Indian women of the Yurok tribes.

By Hal Cochran



Hess Not Shackled

LONDON (CP)—Rudolf Hess, No. 3 Nazi, who has been a prisoner of war in Britain since May, 1941, was not one of the German prisoners shackled in the recent retaliatory binding of soldiers, Arthur Henderson, War Under-Secretary, told the House of Commons Thursday. He was reply to a question.

"Oh how I hate to get up in the morning" is an old song, but the bugle is new; army bugles are now being molded of a cellulose plastic.

Present 'Messiah' Sunday Afternoon

Handel's "Messiah" to be sung in Christ Church Cathedral next Sunday at 2.30 is the only work of its kind to have stood the supreme test of constant repetition for 200 years. Handel commenced writing the score on Aug. 22, 1741, and completed it in 24 days.

In this studious task, only four choruses were adaptations of older works, these being "And He Shall Purify," "For Unto Us," "His Yoke Is Easy," and "All We Like Sheep"—all being adapted from a set of Italian duets he had written in July, 1741.

Subsequently Handel spent more time in revision of this work than he spent on any other. Only the solos were published in Handel's lifetime, and the succession of full score publications all contained errors until Prout edited the work in 1902.

The Prout edition has been used exclusively by the Victoria Choral Union. The ninth consecutive performance this year will be free to the public, and it is confidently expected the financial support given last year, through the col-

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I.O.D.E. Hands Over Air Raid Shelter To Authorities

Many members of I.O.D.E. chapters and interested spectators gathered in the basement of the Dominion Bank Building Wednesday afternoon at 3.30 to hear Mrs. A. H. C. Phipps, regent of Municipal Chapter, officially open the I.O.D.E. Air Raid Shelter. Mrs. Phipps thanked all those who had helped in establishing the shelter, and said that she sincerely hoped it would never be used.

Upon declaring the shelter officially open, Mrs. Phipps handed over an envelope containing the complete inventory of the room, to Acting Mayor Archie Wills, who accepted it, expressing the thanks of the City Council. Mr. Wills mentioned in a short speech that of all the shelters he had seen in the city, this was the most substantial.

The I.O.D.E. standard was unfurled, and among the spectators were Mr. D. McMillan, manager of the Dominion Bank, and Mrs. McMillan; Alderman P. E. George and Inspector Arthur H. Bishop, A.R.P. controller.

The preparation and furnishing of the room was carried out by the primary war service conveners, under the convenship of Mrs. T. A. Johnston, municipal war service convener, who originated the idea as being an effort that would benefit the city. The shelter will be used for the central control staff in case of being bombed and having to remain in town. Two 30-gallon tanks containing fresh running water feature the furnishings, and others provided include four cots, four long tables, a stirrup pump, medicine cabinet, bandages, blankets, three layettes, first aid equipment, a stove, cooking utensils, case of condensed milk, clothing and groceries, many of which were purchased before rationing.

Job's Daughters Install Officers

After a special meeting of Job's Daughters, a public installation was held with the following as installing officers: Misses Eleanor Hourston, past honored queen, as Guide; Dorothy Adams, past Guide of the Bethel, as marshal; Mrs. Jessie Twamley, past honored queen, as secretary; Miss Isabel Bull, past junior princess, as chaplain; Mrs. Elyth Davey, past senior princess, as musician; Miss Norma Brenan, past honored queen as senior custodian; Miss Phyllis Adams, past honored queen as junior custodian; Miss Josephine Flack, past honored queen as inner guard.

The following members were installed: Betty Dawson, honored queen; Alma Hourston, senior princess; Beryl Humphrey, junior princess; Doreen Parfitt, Guide; Aileen Jones, marshal; first messenger Mary Neilans; Ruth McIlvride, second messenger; Josephine Flack, acting third messenger; Norma Brenan, acting fourth messenger; Ethel Ramsay, acting fifth messenger; Isabel Bull, acting chaplain; Margaret Johnston, musician; Joan Clark, librarian; Dorothy Adams, acting recorder; Mona Beech, acting treasurer; Jessie Twamley, acting senior custodian; Elyth Davey, acting junior custodian; Phyllis Adams, acting inner guard.

The girls made final arrangements for sending ice cream to the Orphanage for Christmas. After the meeting a Christmas social was held in the community room, servicemen being the honored guests. Later refreshments were served in the dining hall from tables decorated with Christmas trimmings. A gayly-trimmed tree, well laden with gifts completed the decorations.

METROPOLITAN Y.P.U.

Metropolitan Y.P.U. held a Christmas social Tuesday evening, arranged by Doreen Tupman. Games and contests were played and prizes were awarded. Kenneth Priestley conducted Christmas carols, accompanied by Kenneth Banstiel. The president, Dick Johnson, announced the union had voted money to the church and to the missionary and maintenance fund. Rev. Dr. A. E. Whitehouse spoke briefly to the members, and refreshments were served.

The first meeting of the New Year will be held the second week in January.

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MRS. A. SPAVEN, shown with the baby buggy with which she has collected 1,500 pounds of salvage in Victoria. Mrs. Spaven is convener of the salvage collection undertaken by the Women of the Moose, Victoria Chapter, and at the recent meeting of the chapter she presented Mrs. D. Fairhurst, the senior regent, and Mrs. M. Bentham with gifts in appreciation of the help they have given her in attaining this huge total.

Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Evans will arrive from Vancouver to attend the Coverton-Kennedy-Smith wedding tomorrow, and while in the city will be the guests of Mrs. C. F. Armstrong, York Place, Oak Bay.

Mrs. Irene Baird, well-known authoress formerly of this city, who is now living in Ottawa, was a recent visitor to San Francisco where she exhibited the Canadian "World in Action" films.

Mr. Lloyd Craig, director of the Bureau of Industrial and Trade Extension for the B.C. government, with Mrs. Lloyd, has arrived in Vancouver from Ottawa to spend Christmas with relatives. They are guests at the Hotel Vancouver.

Mrs. Fred Kirkland of Englewood, Wash., who has been spending the last few days in Victoria, returned to Vancouver, Wednesday, and yesterday morning was hostess at a breakfast party at Shaughnessy Golf Club. She will return to her home Saturday, accompanied by her son, Bruce, who has been attending school in the mainland city.

Mrs. Kenneth Boorman came over from Vancouver Wednesday to attend the wedding tomorrow of her sister, Miss Vera Kennedy-Smith, to Lieut. G. Stephen Coverton, R.C.N.V.R. She is staying with her mother, Mrs. G. Kennedy-Smith, Beach Drive, and will be joined here tomorrow by her husband, Lieut. K. Boorman, R.C.N.V.R. Mr. John Kennedy-Smith has also arrived from the mainland for his sister's wedding and is the guest of his mother.

Presentations were made in the Elementary Correspondence School branch at the Parliament Buildings recently to two brides-elect of this month, when Miss Marion Hargreaves received a three-piece silver tea service and Miss Mary Tabor a trillite lamp. The gifts, accompanied by corsage bouquets of carnations, were made on behalf of Dr. S. J. Wills and the staff of the Education Department of the provincial government.

Mrs. Cyril Robbins was hostess recently to members of the Chiselers Bridge at her home on Fell Street. Refreshments were served and prizes won by Mrs. Kenneth Scott and Mrs. Robert Stewart. Each member received a present from the gaily decorated Christmas tree. Those present were Miss Betty Lansdell and Mesdames Reuben Cartwright, Robert Bullen, Harry Williams, Kenneth Scott, Tom Newnham, Cyril Robbins and Robert Stewart. Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. K. Scott, Wascana Street.

Miss Muriel Gordon, whose marriage will take place at the end of this month, was honored Wednesday afternoon with a kitchen shower given by Mrs. R. Bryden Jr. and Mrs. H. Ball, Portage Road. The bride-to-be received a corsage bouquet of pink carnations and rosebuds from little Venice Bryden. The gifts were presented to the guest of honor by little Judy Lapp, from a dainty basket trimmed in white. Games were played and prizes won by Mrs. R. Lapp, Mrs. C. M. Gordon, Mrs. J. Bassett and Mrs. J. Clark. Later tea was served from a table effectively arranged with chrysanthemums, and other guests included—Mesdames R. Bryden Sr., G. Severs, S. Petersen, E. Ashton, V. Green, Jamie, E. Mitchell, R. Driver, J. Williams, A. Paul, W. Paul, J. Charlton, and Miss A. Charlton and Mr. J. Bassett.

Red Cross Regulations For Prisoners Are Changed

"Information received through the British Red Cross from International Red Cross, gives the following regulations regarding next-of-kin parcels for Italian prisoners: 'Khaki shirts only permitted for all services; no civilian shoes, no playing cards, leather waistcoats prohibited in many camps, therefore no longer accepted for dispatch by British Red Cross.' Please inform prisoners' committees, and also next-of-kin."

Next-of-kin who have sent forward shirts of other colors than khaki, may be glad to hear that in some cases prisoners have been able to get their shirts dyed a khaki shade, so that they need not necessarily regard their shirts as wasted.

The following are new prisoner-of-war camps in Italy, with one hospital:

Campo P.G. 89, P.M. 3200;
Campo P.G. 26, P.M. 3200;
Campo P.G. 4, P.M. 3200;
Campo P.G. 32, P.M. 3200;
Campo P.G. 42, P.M. 3200;
Campo P.G. 129, P.M. 3200;
Ospedale 811.

ILAG VIII

The civilian internment camp, Ilag VIII, Germany, is now divided into two sections—one section is Ilag VIIIH and the other Ilag VIIIZ. Next-of-kin receiving letters from this camp should note carefully whether their prisoner is interned in VIIIH or VIIIZ, and address their letters and parcels accordingly. Ilag VIIIH is near Gliwicz, and Ilag VIIIZ is near Kreuzberg, both in Upper Silesia.

The above information emphasizes the need for watching the letters of prisoners for information regarding their camps and prisoner-of-war numbers, and sending such facts forward immediately to this division, as well as to their local branches. A great deal of information is coming in from prisoners' letters before it is communicated through official channels.

While next-of-kin parcels may be addressed to prisoners in transit camps, such as Dulag Luft, next-of-kin should remember that there is a risk that the prisoner will have left the camp before his parcel arrives, and a possibility that it might not be forwarded. Next-of-kin may either take this risk or wait until the permanent camp of the prisoner is known.

Personal message cables are not accepted which are written in other languages than English or French, or which are longer than the specified 20 words. It is impossible to give confirmation to the dispatch or delivery of these cable messages, which are

all addressed to persons in enemy countries, such confirmation cannot be given even for cables addressed to Allied countries.

EXTRA RATIONS

New postal regulations regarding communication with prisoners of war, and including instructions about next-of-kin and gift parcels, will not be ready until after Christmas. The addition of items of food to the contents of next-of-kin quarterly parcels has caused a great deal of discussion on many different points which are not yet decided. It is, however, announced that the government will permit extra rations of tea, coffee and sugar for next-of-kin for these parcels, and the necessary coupons will be forwarded to the next-of-kin, together with the label from the Department of National War Services. The original list of food items announced by the government is to be found on pages 10 and 11 of the new "Prisoner of War" Red Cross pamphlet.

A request has been received from the spokesmen, or confidence men, of prison camps in Germany and Italy that consignments of tobacco, books, etc., should not be sent to them in gift parcels for distribution to prisoners in their camps. The spokesmen say that they are not necessarily in personal contact with all the prisoners in their camps, and some may be out on work parties and they have no facilities for repacking and re-addressing personal parcels to individual prisoners. They ask that gift parcels should be sent from the stores to the men for whom they are intended direct.

MISSING MEN

Commissioners cannot accept cables regarding "missing" men. Such cables are prohibited in the interests of the men themselves.

Women's Missionary Society of Esquimalt United Church met on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. A. Deaville, 1325 Esquimalt Road, Mrs. E. King, president, in the chair. Mrs. King led the devotional period and Mrs. Hood reviewed the first chapter of the new study book. Following officers were elected: President, Mrs. E. King; vice-president, Mrs. Gillard; treasurer, Mrs. Steele; recording secretary, Mrs. H. Hughes; Christian stewardship, Mrs. W. Brown; community friendship, Mrs. W. Parry; temperance secretary, Mrs. J. Hood; associate helpers, Mrs. W. A. Deaville; supply secretary, Mrs. T. Wallace; Missionary Monthly, Mrs. Wheeley. Installation of officers will take place Jan. 18, at the home of Mrs. Hood, 465 Grafton Street.

400,000 Prisoners Thank Red Cross For Food Parcels

National Red Cross office has received many letters from Canadian prisoners of war expressing appreciation of the "capture parcels" sent to them from the Canadian Red Cross office overseas.

Four hundred thousand cards, each card acknowledging the receipt of one of the Canadian Red Cross 11-pound food parcels, have been received from prisoners of war. Some of the cards have come from Dieppe prisoners.

PRISONERS MOVED

Recently there has been a redistribution of prisoners of war in certain German camps. Information as to the new locations of prisoners has not been sent forward through official channels. For example: The redistribution of prisoners from Oflag VIB has taken place, but no lists of names of the prisoners assigned to new camps has been received. On the other hand, many relatives and next-of-kin have received letters from prisoners of war telling of new locations.

This information is urgently needed by national office (and for the government through national office) in connection with the issuing of quarterly labels for next-of-kin parcels. It is essential that these labels should be correctly addressed. Some labels are being sent out every day. It is important, therefore, for the sake of the prisoners, that any new address should be sent forward to the Red Cross without a day's delay, as soon as it is received by the next-of-kin.

INFORMATION URGENT

Co-operation of the branches in emphasizing the need of the direct and immediate sending forward of this information to divisional office, where it is needed for practical purposes closely connected with the welfare of the prisoners, is requested. If a rubber hot-water bottle is included in a prisoner's quarterly parcel it will be allowed to go forward although not included in the "permissible" articles in the post office regulations.

White Shrine will hold a card party for members and friends Saturday evening at 8 at the home of Mrs. H. O. Austin, 909 Esquimalt Road.

Rebekah Sisters will hold a progressive 500 game Saturday in the Odd Fellows' Hall, at 8.30, in aid of the war effort. Turkey prizes.

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Solarium Kiddies Thrill At Santa Claus' Visit

Sixty pairs of shining eyes opened in wonder when Santa Claus paid his annual Christmas visit to the children's ward of the Queen Alexandra Solarium Thursday afternoon. Sixty eager little hearts beat excitedly as parents and visitors thronged the holly-bedecked halls and watched with pride the youngsters acting in the Christmas play.

Lieut. Governor W. C. Woodward, who attended with Mrs. Woodward, opened the performance with a few words in which he commended the work of nurses and auxiliaries alike.

"I know no other organization that is doing so much good. The children are intelligent and bright, the environment is beautiful. Mrs. Woodward and myself are happy to be here," His Honor said. Vice-President E. E. Henderson noted that the program was shortened due to dimout restrictions, and gave a short review of the history of the Solarium, mentioning the names of some of those who had been particularly generous in helping the 1,000 children who have been treated since the institution opened 16 years ago.

He also presented special awards to the "best girl," Wanda

Yeake, and the "best boy," who was Arthur Cullin. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor spoke in congratulation and encouragement to them.

CHRISTMAS PLAY

The play, "Christmas Sheep," directed by Mrs. McMasters and Miss Peatt, in which all the actors were patients, was the story of a little girl's dream. The little girl's name was June Bradford, and the night before Christmas she dreamed of green fields and three shepherds. The Keeper of Dreams and her three fairies were flower-like in pastel dresses, and at the finale the whole cast assembled for the singing of "Noel" and "O Come All Ye Faithful."

Long after the concert performance was over—the sweet tunes of the Christmas carols lingered as little groups of those children who are not bedridden gathered to admire each others' toys, sang unconsciously.

Representing the Solarium board of directors were the president, E. W. McMullen, E. E. Henderson, vice-president; Mrs. Curtis Sampson, Mrs. D. J. Mugford (also representing the Women's Auxiliary); Mrs. R. D. McCulloch of the Junior League; Miss Flor-

ence Russell, secretary; Messrs. W. B. Lanigan, D. Campbell, Charles Williams, George Brown, Alan Pendray, Alderman John Worthington, Dr. Glenn Simpson, C. W. Lawbach, manager, and Rev. E. W. Willis, chaplain.

Dr. Donald Starr came over from Vancouver for the affair. Others present were: Senator and Mrs. G. H. Barnard, Mrs. G. Brown, president of the Junior League; Challoner, Gyro Club; Frank Turley, Rotary Club; B. Miller, Vancouver Crippled Children's Hospital; Hugh Savage; Alderman Burgess Gadsden, Victoria City Council; Wing Cmdr. Chalk, R.C.A.F., and various members of the Women's Institute.

Miss J. Stevenson, matron of the Solarium, and niece of Air Vice-Marshal Stevenson, greeted the guests, assisted by Miss Diana MacDonald.

Refreshments were served around the fireplace in the spacious playroom, where also was the display of clever handwork made by the little patients. These included hand-made belts, knitting, leather-tooled work and raffia, all of which was sold during the course of the afternoon.

Those taking part in the Christmas play were June Bradford, Nancy-Jo Petros, Lucy Barr, Evelyn Martinich, Beverly McCormick, Eunice Bell, Daisy Polkey, Willli Thomas, Douglas Harwood, Herbert Sawatsky, Arthur Cullen, Wanda Yeake, Leslie M. Muir and Leonard Pacer.



Miss Inez Kong, native of Hawaii and a Korean student in the U.S., is representing Korean organizations in the U.S. at the conference of nations at Mont Tremblant, Que.

'Hanging of Greens' Takes Place at 'Y'

With the "Hanging of the Greens" ceremony Thursday evening, the main lounge, the club rooms, recreation room and the dining-room of the Y.W.C.A. were decorated with scented boughs of evergreen and lighted Christmas trees. Board and committee members joined with younger club members in this annual observance of the Christmas season. The program included the reading of Dickens' "Christmas Carol" by Sheila Graves, and "The Night Before Christmas," by Netta Hunter. Dolores Larson assisted with music for Christmas Carols.

As a second part of this Christmas observance, the "Legend of St. Bridget" will be pantomimed by club members Sunday afternoon. A surplised choir, directed by Miss Louise Noble, will lead in the singing of carols of English, Polish, American Indian, Czech, German and French Canadian origin. An offering will be taken on behalf of the work of the World Council of the Y.W.C.A. through many countries. After the service, members of the Girls' Work committee, with Mrs. Ross Crane as chairman, will serve refreshments in the lounge. Young women of the three services have been invited to join in these events. General plans for the Thursday and Sunday programs have been under the leadership of Miss Mary Westwood, girls' work secretary.

For several weeks back the various club groups have been busy preparing and packing boxes and parcels with beautifully knitted small garments and stuffed toys for British children, books for Japanese children who were formerly in the orphanage here and now on the prairies, ditty bags for girls in British war industries and for sailors, and Christmas stockings for war patients of a London hospital. Other clubs have contributed funds to the Mrs. Winston Churchill Fund, and the Queen's Christmas Fund.

On Saturday afternoon the board of directors will be hostesses to over 100 guests for the annual Christmas dinner at 1. Those invited are women living alone without Christmas celebration with family or relatives. Together they will have turkey dinner at prettily decorated tables, followed by an hour's entertainment by the Red Shield Concert Party, under the direction of Mr. Frank Humphrey. The singing of carols will be led by Miss Charlotte Crawford. Arrangements for the dinner and program are being made by the house committee, of which Mrs. B. S. Helsternman is chairman, and Miss Edna Auger, the dietitian, is catering.

A special holiday dance will be given by the girls' work committee at the Shrine Hall, Monday. This will be a festive occasion for men and women of the forces, with Y.W.C.A. club members acting as junior hostesses.

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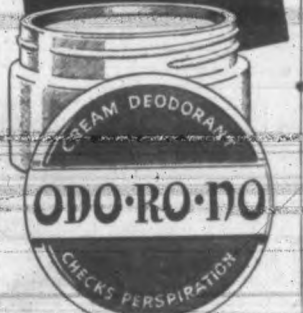
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Hospitality Group's Work Is Varied

The Hospitality Committee is often asked what other work they do in addition to securing invitations for the men and women of the services to Victoria homes.

Through the co-operation of various organizations in the city many happy evenings are spent in dancing or at social evenings where a musical entertainment is given, sing-song and games, etc. The committee is pleased with the way the organizations have responded during the past month, though they are not yet satisfied that this group hospitality cannot be extended. It is in the groups that the men and girls have the opportunity to meet congenial companions who usually remain their friends for the remainder of their stay in Victoria.

Thanks are due to the following organizations who have issued group invitations during December: Daughters of St. George, Women's Breakfast Club, Daughters of Job, Saskatchewan Association, Y.W.C.A., St. Andrew's Young People, Rotarians and Venture Club. Also on Dec. 9, through the kindness of Dr. and Mrs. T. A. Rickard, who made available the Oak Bay Hall, a most enjoyable dance took place, convened by Mrs. E. Willis and assisted by an energetic group of girls, at which 35 cadets from Gordon Head were entertained.

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SCURRAHS

A Christmas social was held Tuesday evening by members of the Pro-Rec Gorge Centre, at St. Martin's Hall. Interesting games were played, and prizes awarded the winners. Miss Frances Borde, Pro-Rec instructor entertained with a tap number, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. C. Adams. After a sitdown supper was served, the evening was brought to a close by the singing of Christmas carols. The committee in charge was Mrs. T. Donavon, Mrs. R. Rickett, and Miss F. Thorne, and Miss H. Gibson. Next class will be Jan. 5 at St. Martin's Hall, Obed Avenue.

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Action Against Agents And Owners Suggested

The suggestion that agents and owners of premises used by prostitutes be tried at the same time as the inmates is advanced to the city in a letter from Alexander Page, received at the City Hall today.

Such action would close or at least scatter houses of ill fame, the writer said.

"All that is required," his letter said, "is that without exception where a conviction is obtained against inmates, the agent for the property and the owner of the property are charged jointly with living in part on the proceeds of prostitution and see that their names and trial details are made public in the press. Then it will cease."

The Dickens Fellowship will hold a Christmas party in the clubrooms, 301 Union Building, next Monday at 8 p.m. There will be readings from Dickens Christmas books and a Dickens

Wardens See Film Of Great London Fire

A meeting of wardens under patrol leaders P. Gilson, Ron Lochead, G. Murphy and Howard Tyrell was held at the Dalhousie post, Oak Bay, last evening.

Geo. G. Edwardson, provincial secretary of the St. John Ambulance Association, showed moving pictures of the great London fire in 1940, taken from the Tower of London. Among other films shown was one on the circulation of the blood, showing the different pressure points. "Post 23" shows a warden's post operating under a raid, showing how to fight fire caused by incendiaries. The final film entitled "Ordinary People," showed the reaction of the people in Britain under an actual raid. It shows the wonderful spirit of the British people.

quiz contest. The executive wishes as many members as possible to attend in costume.

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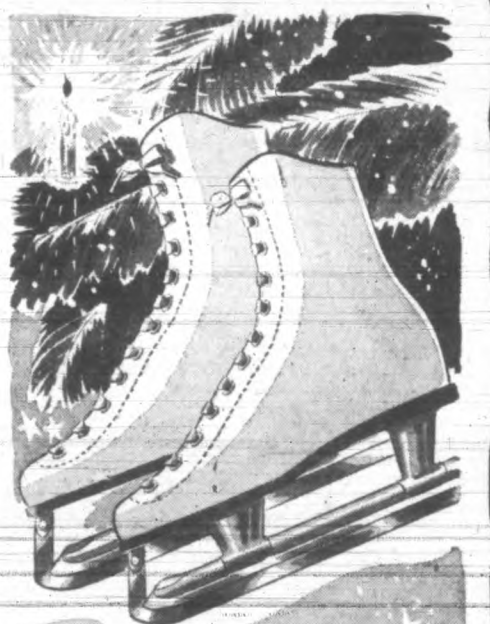
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Chenille Sandals, Furred Moccasins and Gleaming, Quilted Satins in soft boudoir style also offered in many colors, at **2.25**

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Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

AFTER WORKING their forwards on several lines, Army hockey club looks to have come up with a high-scoring combination in Bill Carse, Joffe Desjais and Elmer Kreller. Wednesday night, against the V.M.D., the line worked real well together, as evidenced by the six goals produced. But the Army will be faced with another problem shortly when Nick Metz, starry winger, returns to action. Before suffering that broken collarbone, Metz was working on a line with Carse and Desjais and when he dons the tugs again will have to be worked into one of the lines. Then, again, Pinky Melnyk will be back from furlough shortly and will be ready to take up a position on one of the lines. Just another headache for manager S.Sgt. "Hank" Campbell.

Army club officials are anxious to get more hockey for their club. They feel the team needs additional games to keep in tip-top condition. With that idea in mind the club is seeking permission to visit Seattle for an exhibition game during the next 10 days. It should prove a good workout for the soldiers with their margin of victory at least four or five goals.

Don't be surprised if a new referee in the person of Lulu Lennon makes his appearance at the Willows one of these nights. We understand the clubs are anxious to have him work over here after his initial showing in Nanaimo the other night in the game between the Army and Clippers. Army team officials and players had the highest praise for the officiating of the former member of the Vancouver Lions. Lennon is the regular referee for the mainland league at New Westminster. It's a good idea to swing the referees around if possible. Like hockey players they go stale every so often.

Statement attributed the other day to Lieut. "Hank" Greenberg,

former Detroit star, that baseball is headed for tough times next season is no idle talk. The majors are certainly anticipating a manpower problem. That is made plain by the magnates restoring old fellows to the active list and bringing up from the minors athletes given up on some time back by big league managers.

Branch Rickey rehired the 36-year-old Leo Durocher as guide of the Brooklyn on the condition that he would be available for shortstopping.

When the 41-year-old Fred Fitzsimmons refused to go to the Montreal farm as pilot, the Dodgers kept him as a coach and relief pitcher.

Draft status and children count more than a low earned-run percentage or a high batting average nowadays.

So you see the St. Louis Cardinals signing Frank Demaree, the former Cub and Giant, as a free agent to lend a hand in the outfield.

The Philadelphia Athletics are bringing back outfielder Jo Jo White from Seattle, where he was sent by the Detroit Tigers after helping them to a couple of pennants and a world championship.

One of the graver problems, as many baseball men see it, will have to do with players now employed in war industries.

Bucky Walters of the Reds and Red Ruffing of the Yankees, for example, are putting in the off-season to good advantage in airplane factories. Lefty Gomez of the Yankees is doing war work. Tommy Holmes of the Braves is employed in a Brooklyn shipyard.

Many more ball players are being engaged. With the coming of spring there will, no doubt, be many more similarly employed.

Equally without doubt, many of these will have learned to be skilled workers at their trades.

Hold Christmas Swim

Those hardy athletes will swim again Christmas morning. Officials of the Victoria Amateur Swimming Club announced today they would stage their annual Yuletide plunge in the Inner Harbor, starting at 11.

It will be 50 yards handicap open to any member of a recognized swimming club.

The swim will be staged from a float anchored in the Inner

Harbor to the float in front of the Parliament Buildings.

To the winner will be presented the Capt. Harbord Cup.

Eight entries have already been received and any swimmer wishing to make entry is asked to get in touch with Ken Hurm, telephone E2260.

Bomb Burma Japs

NEW DELHI (AP)—Continuing their harassing attacks on Japanese forces in the Akyab area of Burma, R.A.F. Blenheim bombers escorted by fighters raided the village of Rattadaung Thursday, scoring hits on the target from a low altitude, a British communiqué announced today.

"No enemy aircraft were encountered and none of our aircraft is missing," the announcement said.

It was the sixth Allied raid in six days on Japanese installations in Burma.

Rep Rugby Players Selected for Match Against Vancouver

One of the strongest sides to represent this city in intercity rugby competition was named Friday by Coach Dan Dowell to play for Victoria against Vancouver in the McKeehan Cup match at Macdonald Park, Boxing Day.

The team follows: Fullback: Peden, Army; three-quarters: Smith, Army; Gibbs, Naval College; three-quarters: Jeffrey, R.A.F.; Spears, R.A.F.; five-eighths: Gillespie, Naval College; forwards: Sparks, Army; (Hook): Bray, Army; Stevens, R.A.F.; F. Doherty, Army; Corny, Army; Lloyd, R.A.F.; Chapman, Army; Middleton, R.A.F.; spare backfield: Spiers, Army; spare forward: Thorner, R.A.F.

Of the 17 players selected, the Army grabbed the greatest number of positions with eight. The R.A.F. landed six berths, and the Naval College three.

According to word received from Vancouver, the mainlanders will send over one of the strongest clubs in years to battle the locals. In its opening match, Vancouver Reps smothered Varsity under a 44 to 0 score.

R.A.F. team, leaders in the local league will travel to Vancouver for a challenge match tomorrow at Brockton Point, against the R.C.A.F.

There will be no local league game here tomorrow.

Johnny Mize Wins Slugging Honors

NEW YORK (AP)—The leading slugger in the National League last season, official records released today showed, was Johnny Mize of New York Giants.

The husky first baseman who was traded away from St. Louis Cardinals after the 1941 season because they thought he had passed his peak, led the senior circuit this year in runs batted in with 110 and had a slugging percentage of .521 based on his extra-base hitting.

Mize's batting average was .305, but in return for his 344 times at bat he collected 282 total bases, including 26 homers, 25 doubles and 7 triples.

Right behind Mize in slugging percentage was his manager and teammate, Mel Ott, with .497, followed by Enos Slaughter, St. Louis, .494; Stan Musial, St. Louis, .490; and Ernie Lombardi, Boston, the batting champion, with .482.

Baseball Contributes Tidy Sum to War Work

CHICAGO (AP)—Organized baseball poured \$1,314,825 in war relief and recreation offers during 1942 and hopes to do better next season, Earl Hilligan, American League director of publicity, said Thursday.

The two major leagues, Hilligan reported, contributed \$1,054,953, and the minor loops \$259,871, a sizeable amount considering war-born restrictions under which most of the smaller circuits operated.

Baseball's contributions began a year ago with the Baseball Writers' Association voting \$1,000 and the National Association \$24,000, to be devoted to the ball and bat fund which provides recreation equipment for the service camps.

The balance of the money came from the two all-star games, the world series, and 16 benefit games played in each city of the major loops.

AMATEUR HOCKEY

OTTAWA SENIOR
R.C.A.F. 5, Canadiens 3.
Hull Volants 9, Postal Corps 4.

Baseball Produces Champs

Cards Team of Year

NEW YORK (AP)—For the 11th straight time baseball has produced the outstanding team of the year with the honor for 1942 going to St. Louis Cardinals.

Taking over the spot dominated by New York Yankees since 1932, the Cardinals rolled up 206 points in the Associated Press' annual poll of the sport writers. Forty-seven of the 84 experts participating in the balloting thought Brooklyn's 10-game lead and then whipping the Yankees in the world series worthy of the No. 1 position. Thirty-four others placed the Redbirds either second or third.

BEARS TAKE SECOND

Chicago Bears, winner of 24 straight games before being knocked off by Washington Redskins in the National Football League playoff last Sunday, was

Smart R.C.A.F. Goalie



ALEX CLOW

who has proven one of the coolest goalies in the Island Hockey League and will be between the pipes for the Flyers tonight when they clash with the Navy at the Willows Arena, starting at 8.30. One of the features of tonight's fixture will be the debut of Chuck Raynor, former goalie for the New York Americans in the National Hockey League, in the nets for the Navy. Another new player will make his first appearance in the person of Harold McBride, 210-pound defenceman from Glace Bay Miners, who will partner Lou Labovitch on the Flyers' rearguard. Clubs will be battling for undisputed possession of second place in the circuit.

N.H.L. Surmounts Problems

Attendance Well Up

By CHARLES EDWARDS

TORONTO (CP)—There has been quite a bit of crying in the National Hockey League this season because of war-shorn player rosters and whatnot. But in spite of these troubles the league continues to prosper. It is shown by attendance statistics.

Hockey can stand a few difficulties. When it is considered the game is less than a century old, the hundreds of expert players, the huge crowds, the streamlined rules that produce goals a dime a dozen, are an achievement.

Canada takes credit for developing hockey. The English had an ice game much earlier called bandy. The Norwegians played a game on skates in the 14th century. The Scots had shinty, played more often on the ground than on ice. In the 15th century, the Netherlands had "jet kolvin," a form of golf on skates. But Canadians started hockey somewhere about 1872 and developed it to its present perfection.

Probably the first accredited champions were the McGill University team which won a Montreal winter carnival tournament in 1883. Playing positions then were goal, back, two halfbacks, one centre forward and two forwards. They played with a "ball" until the word "puck" was introduced in 1884.

GOALIES WERE TOUGH

Goalkeepers had no heavy pads in those days. A wisp of a stick and a sharp eye were their only protection. Steel spring skates invented by John D. Forbes of Dartmouth, N.S., were used at first but often these runners became detached during play. The late Jack McCulloch of Winnipeg began experimenting with the forerunner of the present skate, the tube skate, as early as 1895. Usually a single goal decided a game in those days. Quite a difference this season with the N.H.L. averaging nearly eight goals a game.

Promoter Jack Singer reports the Eddie Marcus-Al Last fight in Calgary Dec. 4 (Marcus was the winner) netted \$2,700 for the Navy League of Canada. St. Catharines senior hockey club lost an able coach when Ft. L. Frank Fredrickson was transferred to another post by the

R.C.A.F. Frank had the Saints on top of their O.H.A. group and Clayton Browne of the St. Catharines Standard comments: "St. Kitts had never seen, and possibly never will see, as strict a disciplinarian as the Icelander who captained Winnipeg Falcons to the Allan Cup and Canada's first Olympic hockey title." . . . The death of Fred Beaudry of the Kingston Whig-Standard this week severed a link with the great Queen's University football teams of the 1920's. Beaudry chronicled the gridiron activities of such stars as Pep Leadey, Harry Batstone, Bud Thomas, Red McKelvey and Liz Walker.

Beau Jack Favored To Win Over Larkin

NEW YORK (AP)—When Tippy Larkin and Beau Jack tangle in their 15-rounder in Madison Square Garden tonight the world lightweight championship will be at stake or at least the championship recognized only in New York and probably New Jersey.

To the National Boxing Association, it's just a brawl between two top-ranking lightweights. This is the situation that arose after Sammy Angott abdicated the 135-pound crown a few weeks ago. The N.B.A. and the New York commission agreed that no successor to Sammy would be crowned until after a national tournament, but a few days later Gen. John J. Phelan of the New York State Boxing Commission announced the winner of tonight's tussle would win the championship.

Jack, a busy little Georgia negro, who skyrocketed out of the locker room of the Augusta National Golf Club into the headlines, stopped Alvie Stolz, who had been the No. 1 contender a few weeks ago. He's 5 to 8 to do the same this time to the slim Garfield (N.J.) Italian.

Sports Travel Today

First Period—1. Boston, Cowley (Jackson, 11); 2. Boston, Gallingier (Clap-

pen, 14); 3. New York, Warwick (Davidson, 13); 4. Boston, Schmidt (Gallinger, 12); 5. Boston, Schmidt (Gallinger, 12); 6. Boston, Schmidt (Gallinger, 12); 7. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 8. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 9. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 10. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 11. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 12. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 13. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 14. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 15. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 16. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 17. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 18. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 19. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 20. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 21. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 22. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 23. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 24. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 25. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 26. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 27. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 28. New York, Jackson (Crawford, 16); 29. 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WE: This is no time for humor, Sue. This thing is slowly strangling me.

SUE: Well, it is Junior's shirt, isn't it?

WE: It is not. It's a shirt that I bought last week... and it fits me then.

SUE: Then it's your own fault, dear. You didn't ask for the "Sanforized" label.

WE: "Sanforized"?

SUE: I've told you a dozen times that the safe way to buy shirts is to insist that they have the "Sanforized" label, which, to repeat, means that they can't shrink out of fit, because the fabrics in them have been shrunk right down to a tiny %.

WE: I know. You did tell me. But I thought all pre-shrunk shirts were the same.

SUE: Well, now you know they aren't. And I'm sure you'll never again buy a shirt that hasn't got the "Sanforized" label.



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4 Reeve Candidates Speak in Saanich

Acting Reeve E. C. Warren, Councillor John Watson, W. H. Robertshaw and L. H. Passmore, four of the five candidates for the position of reeve of Saanich, at a public meeting Thursday night reviewed their accomplishments and aims, urging their election at the polls Saturday.

Reeve Warren gave an account of the council's business during 1942 and stressed the advances made in A.R.P. organization and work. He said two ambulances had been purchased during his term of office with funds raised in the municipality, a large decontamination centre had been almost completed and funds were available for equipping an operating van.

The municipality is financially sound, he said, adding the allocation of funds from water revenue to general revenue 10 years ago, which was disputed recently, was done to pay debts following suspension of the provincial relief plan. He said all departments of the municipality were within their estimates in 1942.

COUNCILLOR WATSON

Being in a position to give his full time to municipal work, Councillor Watson promised support of the school board and teachers and suggested, in view of the municipal financial condition, the tax rate be lowered. He said he would not favor the passing of a money bill for the duration of the war.

Councillor Watson included as part of the work done in his ward the settling of house numbers, installation of street lights and the securing of door-to-door mail delivery. He claimed a councillor could do a great deal for the taxpayers by calling on them regularly.

W. H. ROBERTSHAW

A resident of Saanich for 30 years and former member of the Saanich Council, Mr. Robertshaw said Saanich was now big business and a businessman should be elected reeve. He said he could give time to the affairs of the municipality and knew how to bring about co-operation between the council, municipal employees and the school board. Mr. Robertshaw questioned the tax system of Saanich, but said public services available in the city must also be provided for Saanich. As an example of the inequality of the tax system he cited the case of a man with one child, earning \$5,000 a year, paid only \$12 taxes a year, and a man with six children, earning \$1,800 a year, paid \$200 taxes annually.

EX-REEVE PASSMORE

Former Reeve Passmore suggested the Saanich tax rate could be reduced, and said that although the reduction of only one mill per year seemed small, Victoria had been able to accomplish this each year since 1936.

During his term of office in

1941 he lowered the tax rate one mill, Mr. Passmore said, and the foundation was laid for the present efficient A.R.P. organization, fire and police departments were enlarged and a road grader purchased. He commented on the harmony of the council while he was reeve.

Hitler May Use Gas, Says Rauschning

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP)—Herbert Rauschning, one-time head of the Free City of Danzig, foresees the possibility of Germany's using gas or bacteria as a result of the shake-up in the German command.

"New surprises, unorthodox weapons—possibly including gas

and bacteria—and new assaults may be expected now that Hitler has virtually taken over the military direction of the war himself by appointing an unknown in command of the German army," said Rauschning, who twice fled from the Nazis to save his life following disagreement with Hitler's policies.

Rauschning predicted in an interview that revolt within Germany, which he declared will come not later than next fall, may result from Nazi use of gas or disease germs.

This revolt, he said, will not be led by the ousted German generals but by the soldiers. He added:

"Civilians, of course, have no chance of revolting this way."

Island Municipal Elections

Harrison, Hamilton Returned to Office

Mayor V. B. Harrison of Nanaimo and Mayor W. C. Hamilton of Port Alberni were re-elected to office in the only mayoralty contests on Vancouver Island in Thursday's elections.

Acclamations on Monday were George H. Savage, Duncan; V. Tingey, Alberni; Peter R. Inkster, Courtenay; Alexander Maxwell, Cumberland; and Ernest Jameson, Ladysmith.

In all up-island municipalities there were council and school trustee contests.

Results follow:

NANAIMO

Mayor—Mayor V. B. Harrison (re-elected), 777; D. C. MacFarlane, 446.

Council (three seats)—Lamont Ross, 770; W. T. Grieves (re-elected), 741; George Muir (re-elected), 666; Nathaniel Bevis, 609; W. E. Bray, 428.

School board (three seats)—Earle C. Westwood, 872; C. E. Salter (re-elected), 885; A. W. J. Rathlef (re-elected), 882; W. L. Dunn, 637.

PORT ALBERNI

Mayor—Mayor W. C. Hamilton (re-elected), 447; Alf Plant, 166.

Council (three seats)—J. C. Blower (re-elected), 447; Alf Lockner, 333; Loran Jordan, 272; Alderman C. Cook, 229; J. M. Crosland, 173; R. W. Pinner, 177.

School board (two seats)—F. Bacon (re-elected), 381; J. Carter, 351; R. W. Pinner, 281.

Plebiscite for two-year mayoralty term—Yes, 351; no, 248.

ALBERNI

Mayor—Mayor V. Tingey (Acclamation).

Council—(Three seats): A. McGillivray (re-elected) 137; J. Skipsy 134; L. Howe (re-elected) 109; W. Richardson 98.

School Board—Mrs. J. Skipsy (Acclamation).

DUNCAN

Mayor—George H. Savage (Acclamation).

Council—(Two to be elected): William Evans 157; Thomas E. G. Aldersey 136; James C. Wragg 113.

Consolidated School Board—(Three seats): T. F. G. Aldersey 182; J. C. Wragg 135 (two-year term); W. J. Long 121 (one year); S. R. Kirkham 88; Mrs. Janet P. Leeming 80.

COURTENAY

Mayor—Peter R. Inkster (Acclamation).

Council—(Three seats): W. S.



MAYOR V. B. HARRISON
Nanaimo favorite.

Hunter (re-elected) 216; D. E. Simms (re-elected) 214; H. Mack 176; C. Newman 170; G. Brown 102; J. A. Clowes 81.

School Board—(Three seats): H. G. Browning (re-elected) 222; G. F. Harrison 205; A. J. Taylor 191; Mrs. T. Simpson 173; L. G. M. Pearce 96.

Park Board—(One seat): H. C. Simms (Acclamation).

LADYSMITH

All by Acclamation

Mayor—Ernest Jameson.

Aldermen—(Two-year term): Peter Rudolph Battie, Fred Johnston, Walter Joyce and Robert S. Joyce.

School Board—(For two-year term): Harold L. Cliff, Peter R. Battie and James King.

William Mott Mayor Of New Westminster

Other B.C. municipal results were as follows:

NEW WESTMINSTER

William Mott was conceded the election for mayor of New Westminster Thursday night when he polled 2,100 votes to 1,800 for James L. Sangster.

PRINCE RUPERT

Mayor—William Milne Watts (Acclamation).

Council (eight elected)—William Brett, George Hills, James S. Black, H. M. Daggett, Thomas H. Elliott, T. H. Sorenson, Mrs. Norah Arnold, Robert McKay.

School board (five seats)—Jack Deane, C. G. Ham, Mrs.

George Hills, J. T. Langridge, E. J. Smith.

FORT MOODY

Mayor—H. S. Cunningham (Acclamation).

Council (two seats)—H. D. Guest (re-elected), 112; L. A. Goodship (re-elected), 97; R. H. Lapworth, 62; Louis Sivards, 40.

School board (one seat)—Goodship (Acclamation).

Police commission (one seat)—H. L. Stocks (Acclamation).

ROSSLAND

Mayor—Mayor J. E. Gordon (Acclamation).

Council (three seats)—William Cunningham (re-elected), 210; A. C. Ridgers, 151; F. M. Edridge (re-elected), 147; Alderman L. T. Nimsick, 122; W. A. Darby, 103.

School board (three seats)—C. F. Daly, 155; H. W. LeFevre, 148; A. F. Snowball (re-elected), 132; T. H. Yolland, 128; W. A. Darby, 126.

CRANBROOK

Mayor—Mayor A. J. Balmert (Acclamation).

Council (three seats)—M. T. Harris (re-elected), A. E. Jones

(re-elected), J. F. Scott (Acclamation).

School board (three seats)—Murray McFarlane, 141; A. C. Hayden, 139; J. E. Webster, 130; Mrs. O. J. Knight, 109.

SALMON ARM

Mayor—Mayor Robert J. Skelton (Acclamation).

Council (three seats)—James S. Day (re-elected), 119; Thomas Herbert Elliott, 108; Victor Nancollas, 98; Alderman Alfred J. Strudwick, 93.

School board (one seat)—Mrs. Helen McGuire.

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Farmers Request Lower Gun Fees

Farmers' Institutes' advisory board, meeting here this week, by resolution is asking the B.C. Game Department to reduce the price of firearms licenses to bona fide farmers from \$6 to \$3.

The farmers have explained to the Attorney-General that predatory animals are causing great damage in farming areas and yet the farmers, if they wish to kill them, must pay full price for a license.

Farmers are also asking removal of the \$20 license charged if farm tractors use a public highway. They point out that in these days of labor shortages neighbors often use each other's tractors and to get from one farm to the other they have to cross the highway, thus becoming liable to the license fee.

Another resolution asks for an increase in the daily pay of jurors. The farmers say the present per diem allowance of \$3 is less than the government was paid for laborers "and is quite inadequate under present war-time conditions, particularly for men called in from outside points who have to pay hotel expenses and board."

The farmers also ask the government "for relief from the incidence of school taxes on land—we ask immediate attention to the matter of alleviation of farmers from this most unjust tax."

Gerald Arnot Lauder of the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company at Penticton, B.C., has this week, by order-in-council been appointed a notary public in place of Dalton Neil Murphy, who has joined the armed forces.

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Obituaries

Mrs. Albion Johns, Pioneer, Passes Away

Mrs. Eliza Emily Johns, widow of Albion Johns, former alderman of Victoria, and pioneer grocer, passed away this morning at the family residence, 1276 Richardson Street, after a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Johns was widely known in this city, and for many years had been a valued member of Metropolitan United Church. She was born in Georgetown, Ont., 73 years ago. She came west in 1890 to be married in Vancouver. Immediately afterwards she came to Victoria with her husband, who predeceased her eight years ago.

Mrs. Johns is survived by one daughter, Miss Ethel Johns, at the family residence; four sons, Clarence S., Dr. Thomas Harry, Albion Wilfred and Harold P., and four grandchildren. All are residents of Victoria.

The funeral will be held Monday afternoon at 2 from Sands Mortuary, Rev. Dr. A. E. Whitehouse will officiate.

HARPER—Rev. Fred Comley will conduct funeral service for Arthur Scott Harper Saturday at 10:30 in the Thomson Funeral Home. Interment in the Naval and Military Cemetery, Esquimalt.

MCBRIDE—The funeral for Mrs. Mary Isabelle McBride was held Thursday in Sands Mortuary, Rev. James Hood officiating. Interment at Royal Oak. Pallbearers were: I. Finlay, P. L. Green, W. A. Rhodes, E. Coombe, A. G. Todd and J. Willis.

KENNEDY—Rev. T. W. Reed conducted the funeral service for Archibald C. Kennedy Thursday in the Chapel of Sands Mortuary. Pallbearers were Cecil Holman, Godfrey Smith, Albert Ashe, William Inglis, C. L. Andrews and Mr. Wilson. Interment at Royal Oak.

WOOLEY—The death occurred this morning of Mabel Wooley, 75, born in England, she had lived in Vancouver for many years before moving here. The funeral will be held Saturday morning at 11, from the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home, Rev. George Biddle officiating. Interment at Ross Bay.

SMITH—Elizabeth Mary Smith, 82, widow of Malcolm Smith, died Thursday. She was born in Ontario and had been a resident of Victoria for 39 years. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. A. J. MacDonald, 3104 Quada Street, with whom she resided. Rev. G. A. Reynolds will conduct the funeral service Saturday afternoon at 3 from McCall Bros' Funeral Chapel. Interment at Colwood.

HAWKES—At the Royal Jubilee Hospital this morning the death occurred of Baby Hawkes, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hawkes, 3577 Quada Street. Besides his parents, he leaves a brother, Douglas, and a sister, May, at the family residence. The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2, from the parlors of the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home. Interment at Royal Oak.

DYER—Verena Mumford Dyer, 857 McClure Street, died Thursday at her home. She was born in Fladbury, Worcestershire, and had resided in Victoria and Happy Valley 23 years. She leaves one brother in Vancouver, one sister, Mrs. A. Hankin, Happy Valley; one nephew and one niece. The funeral service will be held in St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, Monday afternoon at 2. Archdeacon A. E. del L. Nunn will officiate. Interment at Colwood. Thomson Funeral Home has charge.

RIDDLER—At the family residence, 663 Burnside Road, Sheron Agnes, four-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Ridder, died Thursday morning. She leaves, besides her parents, one brother, at home, her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Riddler of Victoria and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Clow of Brentwood. Rev. T. H. McAllister will conduct the funeral on Saturday morning at 10:30 in the chapel of Sands Mortuary. Interment at Royal Oak.

TRUDELL—The death occurred Thursday, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. Pettigrew, 456 Niagara Street, of Mrs. Whitlana Trudell, 84. Born in Wick, Scotland, she had lived in B.C. for 50 years, and for many years had been a resident of Cedar District, Nanaimo. She leaves three sons, Joseph and Alexander of Cedar District; Roderick McCulish of Port Orchard, Wash.; five daughters, Mrs. H. Pettigrew, Mrs. D. B. Williams and Mrs. A. Peterson, Victoria; Mrs. J. Struthers, Vancouver; and Mrs. L. Malpass of Nanaimo; 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. The remains were forwarded to Nanaimo this morning, where services and interment will be held. Thomson Funeral Home has charge.

Jim Asselstine, Recovered, Home



SGT. JAS. W. ASSELSTINE

VANCOUVER (CP)—Sgt. James W. Asselstine, R.C.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Asselstine, 1149 Faithful Street, Victoria, said in an interview here today that military doctors overseas "are working miracles—they've made 20 years' progress since the war started."

The young pilot was himself good proof of his statement. In a crash nine months ago he suffered compound fractures of the left leg, a puncture lung, fractured ribs and concussion and shock followed by pneumonia.

His father, former British Columbia Minister of Mines, said that first he feared his son would never recover, but today young Asselstine strolled easily around his hotel room after a walk through the shopping district with his parents.

"They're uncanny, those surgeons," the pilot said. "They kept me in hospital nine months, but, oh boy, what they managed to do in that time."

IN SPIN NEAR GROUND

Asselstine was hurt when his plane's motors stopped at 200 feet, and the machine went into a spin. He was snatched from the wrecked bomber just before it exploded and burst into flames.

At the time of the accident he was training to be a night bomber pilot. He went overseas in September, 1941. After spending Christmas leave with his parents, he expects to be called before a medical board in Ottawa which will decide whether he is fit to return to active duty.

Chiropractors Request Compensation Benefits

B.C. chiropractors today asked the government to permit them to come under the benefits of the Workmen's Compensation Act, should the act be amended, following the recent report of Mrs. Justice Gordon Sloan.

At present the act makes no mention of chiropractors and a compensation case treated by one receives no benefits.

Premier Hart told the delegation that the cabinet would give the plea every consideration. In the group were Dr. Thos. Mercer, vice-president of the B.C. Chiropractors Association; Drs. R. E. Anderson, Thos. Patterson, G. H. Young and P. D. Carr, all of Vancouver, and the association's secretary and legal advisor, J. S. Burton, Vancouver.

Long Holiday Week-end Over Christmas

Boxing Day will be a holiday in the Parliament Buildings, as it will in most offices and stores. All war industries, however, will work full blast.

Offices and stores will be closed from next Thursday afternoon at 6 until Monday morning.

In Vancouver the retail stores will be closed Jan. 2, giving workers another long week-end.

TOWN TOPICS

Tonight at 7:30 the annual Sunday school Christmas program of the Esquimalt Foursquare Church will be held with old carol singing and presentation of prizes, to which all friends are invited.

City police today found, at Jones Bros' parking lot, a car owned by Mrs. Lou Loy with three of the tires slashed, apparently with a sharp instrument. Police said it looked like the work of somebody who did it in spite.

Increased interest in A.R.P. in Victoria West was indicated at a meeting held Thursday night at Victoria West School. Eight Wardens joined the service. It was announced a training course would be started in January. Speakers at the meeting included Inspector A. H. Bishop, Victoria A.R.P. controller; Capt. D. J. Proudfoot, chief warden; T. Cresswell, district warden. L. A. Benson was in the chair.

George H. Gowan's application for permission to convert 20 Douglas Street into a two-family dwelling was approved by the city zoning board of appeal at its final 1942 meeting in the City Hall Thursday. Conditional approval was given M. A. Van Rogen's plans to convert 1392 Rockland into a six-suite apartment and the city lands commissioner's proposal to change 2026 Stanley Avenue into a two-family residence.

Board Refuses Tea For Yule Socials

With the approach of the Christmas season there has been a sudden upswing in the requests for extra tea, coffee and sugar. It is reported by the ration administration of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. Such applications are rigidly refused because granting them would defeat the whole object of rationing.

A spokesman of the ration administration says that in recent weeks there has been what he terms "an abnormally large demand for special permits."

These requests have come from groups sponsoring club affairs, social gatherings, smokers, concerts and other forms of social activity.

"It would appear that these people are forgetting the necessities of war," says the spokesman. "If they would only realize the tremendous difficulties in importing these commodities and the loss of life and ships, perhaps they would take second thought before indulging us with appeals for extra rations."

"After all, the whole idea of rationing is to ensure equitable distribution of such commodities as are available for civilian use."

"We are also flooded with requests from servicemen for temporary ration cards when they are on leave less than seven days; these we cannot grant. If they are visiting their relatives for less than seven days, the relatives provide their rations. If, on the other hand, they get seven days leave, we provide them with a temporary ration card which is good for two weeks so that their relatives reap the benefit of the extra ration."

Another request which is made frequently and which is also refused comes from invalids who want extra supplies of tea and coffee. The medical profession has advised officially that these commodities are not necessary for stimulants.

"Save lives and save ships by conserving your supplies," urges the ration official.

In Police Court

Two lance corporals, Ernest Horstead and Orville Williamson, were found guilty in city court today of having in their possession chairs belonging to the C.P.R. They were each fined \$5.

The accused admitted they had been drinking. Constables A. C. Brundock and H. J. Smith found the two accused on Douglas Street between Fort and View, with the chairs under their arms. They said they intended to return the chairs to the Crystal Garden.

Christmas Holidays Start for Students

Greater Victoria schools released approximately 8,000 students for their Christmas vacations today with young men of Victoria College facing an important hour in their lives.

At Craigdarroch the results of term-end examinations, which were completed this afternoon, will determine future activities. If the boys secure sufficiently high grades, they may return to their studies the required standard, those in callable ages will be due for the draft.

While that element brought a degree of seriousness to the festive season, the holidays came with their usual appeal for pupils of high, junior high and grade schools.

During the week the majority of the elementary schools held their Christmas concerts, bright features of extra-curricular activities. In a number of classes the usual interchange of greetings and cards was held today, with treats for the youngsters in a number of instances.

A large number of High School students had previously been freed to secure seasonal employment in city stores and the city post office and more sought temporary work to raise Christmas money early next week.

SAANICH FESTIVITIES

Approximately 2,500 Saanich pupils filed out of Saanich classrooms to begin the Christmas vacation today. Before dismissing, the children played Santa Claus to one another with an exchange of small gifts, cards and good wishes.

During the last few days the pupils in the lower grades have occupied themselves in preparing decorations for their classrooms and in making useful gifts or Christmas cards. The children in all grades at the majority of schools have prepared concerts, which were given to parents and visitors either on an afternoon or evening during the week.

Three dozen beautiful Christmas cards, made by children at Tillamook, Cloverdale and Tofino Schools, will be used by the Municipal Council and School Board to convey the season's greetings to officials in the neighboring municipalities. These cards were designed with the view to giving the greetings an original and individualistic touch. The children will be informed of the dignitaries and officials to whom their cards are sent.

Oak Bay grade and high school students began their 16-day Christmas vacation this afternoon. Students will return to their classes the morning of Jan. 4, 1943.

During the afternoon students completed the term by exchanging good wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

New Logging Concern Starts in B.C.

A new \$1,000,000 logging concern, the East Asiatic Co. (B.C.) Limited, was incorporated this week with the registrar of companies, Parliament Buildings. Head office is in Vancouver and subscribers are given as Donald S. Montgomery and Carl C. Busch.

Other new companies are Success Secretarial Limited, \$10,000; Vancouver; Sterling Shipyards Ltd., \$50,000; Vancouver.

Coffee shop operators of Vancouver have banded together to form the British Columbia Coffee Shop Owners' Association, which is now registered under the Societies Act.

Also registered under the Societies Act this week was the Willow Point Community Club of Campbell River.

Sailor Left Penniless When Wallet Disappears

Christmas isn't going to mean much to Seaman Gordon McIntyre, lonely sailor boy newly arrived from Vancouver, if the person who found his wallet containing \$60 doesn't return it. He's going to be broke for most of the holiday season.

Hurrying from his room at 3419 Cook Street to go on duty at I.M.C.S. Dockyard last Sunday morning he put the wallet in his pocket he thought was the secure pocket of his jacket. On arrival he found the money which included his living-out allowance was missing. Since Sunday he's been getting along on what he has been able to borrow from friends at the establishment.

Victoria Man Listed As Dieppe Prisoner

Col. Frank Goldie, whose wife, Agnes, and small son, Alan, live at 1135 Yates Street, is a prisoner of war. Up to a few days ago he had been reported as "missing" after the Battle of Dieppe, with no official information available as to his safety or otherwise.

Now his name appears in the 228th casualty list of the Canadian Active Army.

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Board Ends Sale Of Whipping Cream

All sales of whipping cream to consumers must be discontinued as from Jan. 1, 1943, it is announced by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

"On Sept. 1, 1942," says a board official, "when the new schedule of prices for the Vancouver market was set up under Order No. 172, sales of whipping cream were eliminated from the schedule, and most distributors in Vancouver discontinued the sale of this grade of cream. The same action was also taken when a new schedule of prices was established in the Victoria market on Sept. 1, 1942, under Order No. 187. It was expected at that time that at an early date a definite prohibition of the sale of whipping cream throughout Canada would be published."

"As the country was facing a shortage of butter, it was felt that every effort should be made to reduce consumption of butterfat."

"Under Board Order No. 195, on and after Jan. 1, 1943, the sale of whipping cream exceeding 18 per cent butterfat content is prohibited. This will not apply to sales by a primary producer to a dairy, creamery, milk distributor, or any industrial user of cream, or to sales of cream from one milk distributor or manufacturer to another milk distributor or manufacturer."

Liquor Commissioners

B.C. liquor commissioner, W. F. Kennedy, is expected to attend a conference of Canadian liquor control board chairmen in Toronto early in January, to discuss liquor restrictions announced by Prime Minister Mackenzie King this week.

No B.C. government announcement regarding the Prime Minister's request that beer parlors be open not longer than eight hours a day is expected until after the liquor commissioners' conference.

Friday, Mr. Kennedy discussed the liquor subject with Premier John Hart and Attorney-General R. L. Maitland.

Sirens Always Running

A.R.P. authorities today described the low noise emitted from Victoria's air raid sirens, which has caused a number of complaints from elderly residents, as a necessary evil.

Because the sirens are outside and completely exposed to the weather, there is a danger during the wintertime that they become coated with ice. Then they would not respond to the switch in time of emergency.

By keeping the sirens turning over slowly all the times, there is no danger of ice forming and a warning may be sounded by increasing the current to the sirens. Provincial authorities said the sirens, while running slowly, are inaudible beyond 100 feet.

Representatives of city bond and investment houses today laid their request for lower license fees before members of the city's

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| Ward 3—Gordon Head School |
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| Ward 5—Royal Oak School |
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| Ward 7—Tillicum School |

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V.M.D. Staff at Christmas Party

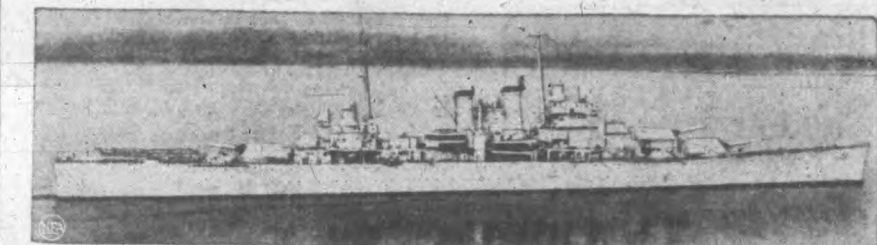
An atmosphere of festive jollity pervaded the Empress Hotel grill-room Thursday evening when 100 office staff members of the Victoria Machinery Depot Ltd. and guests staged a pre-Christmas party.

David R. Anderson, controller, acted as chairman and kept things under control with a regulation ship's bell used instead of the customary gavel.

Entertainment features were supplemented by presentation of a ship model to Manager H. S. Hammill, a megaphone tagged "Conducted Tours" to G. Coupar, works superintendent; two small bottles marked ethyl and standard, with eyedropper, to C. A. Clements, transit controller and personnel director; a toy telephone to T. A. Kennedy, purchasing agent, and pair of composition soles with neck chain attached to Chairman Anderson, alleged walking champion of the plant.

The presentations were made

America's Fighting Navy



The U.S.S. Wichita is typical of our newer heavy cruisers—the warships that are second only to battleships in fire power. Making 32½ knots, the Wichita is faster than even our newest battleships, but her guns and armor are lighter. The cruiser carries nine 8-inch guns, compared with the North Carolina's nine 16-inchers, and has a 5-inch armor belt amidships, compared with a battleship's 14 to 16-inch armor. The Wichita, completed in 1939, is as long as battleships like the West Virginia, being 614 feet in length. It takes a complement of 600 men to operate the cruiser, which carries four aircraft and two catapults. The Wichita's 1940 trip into South American waters on what was described as a "friendly visit" inspired rumors that we were patrolling the south Atlantic in those pre-Pearl Harbor days. This cruiser has no sister ships.

As dinner was served and the speeches and replies caused explosive merriment.

Another amusing feature was the place cards in the form of hiring, firing and transfer slips

which demoted and promoted members of the management and staff indiscriminately.

The entertainment program was contributed to by Elaine Basanta with song; Jack Reynolds, monologist, and Ray Hunt, novelty dancer.

The guests included Thomas MacPherson, representative of

Wartime Merchant Shipping Ltd.;

D. F. Forsyth and Frank Boomer,

Lloyd's Registry of Shipping, and

R. C. McDowell, assistant manager,

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Indeed, our rush hour schedules would be badly delayed were it not for the thoughtful courtesy of passengers like you who board with fare ready.

Every day, more and more riders are getting in the habit of (1) having the correct fare ready, (2) moving down the aisle away from the entrance door after paying fare, (3) signaling the operator in plenty of time when ready to get off.

These little courtesies help keep our vehicles moving at war-emergency speed... help war and other important workers get to work on time... and help you get to your own destination more quickly.

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4 Navy Men Missing, 1 Dead

OTTAWA (CP)—The Royal Canadian Navy's toll of dead and missing in the Knights of Columbus hotel fire at St. John's, Nfld., last Saturday was raised today to 20, with issuance of a casualty list containing the names of five navy men.

Four of the men were reported missing after the fire, and the other was listed as accidentally killed.

With the latest navy list, 44 Canadian servicemen have been officially reported dead and missing as a result of the fire, which claimed the lives of 99 persons.

The navy toll contains the names of 19 dead, one missing and 20 injured; the army seven dead, one missing and five injured; and the air force 14 dead, two missing and three injured.

More than 100 persons, in all were hurt in the blaze.

Following is the latest navy list of fire casualties:

MISSING

Robert Samuel Greer, stoker (1st class), R.C.N.V.R., Halifax; William Reginald MacLean, ordinary telegraphist, R.C.N.V.R., Summerside, P.E.I.

Fernand Vallancourt, probationer, sick berth attendant, R.C.N.V.R., North Bay, Ont.

Hector Albert Wooley, ordinary signman, R.C.N.V.R., Hamilton, Ont.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED

James A. MacLean, AB, R.C.N.V.R., Charlottetown.

Ian Warren Promoted

MONTREAL — Ian Warren, overseas passenger manager of Canadian Pacific Railway, Montreal, has been appointed assistant passenger traffic manager, Montreal, effective Jan. 1, 1943, according to an announcement today by R. G. McNellie, passenger traffic manager, Montreal. The position of overseas passenger manager has been abolished and in his position Mr. Warren will have charge of military and other special traffic as well as overseas traffic.

Navy Casualty

OTTAWA (CP)—Naval headquarters Thursday night announced that ordnance artificer 4th class Svend Solberg Sorensen of Edmonton is missing on active service.

Sorensen is of the R.C.N.V.R. and his official number is V12678. Next-of-kin was given as his father, Christian Sorensen of Edmonton.

Sorensen's name was given in the navy's 137th casualty list of the war.

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Seamen Watched Comrades Die

U.S. EAST COAST PORT (AP)—How three British seamen saw 15 of their comrades die in open lifeboats during the 21 days they were adrift in mid-Atlantic, was disclosed with the United States navy's announcement of the torpedoing of a British merchant vessel in mid-November.

The three were the only known survivors of the 54 officers and men aboard the ship when it was sunk by an enemy submarine. One lifeboat carrying 20 men still is unaccounted for.

One of the survivors, a deck officer, said there was an adequate food supply for the 18 men in his boat, but that fresh water ran short. He said he and the other two survivors probably owed their lives to the fact that they abstained from drinking salt water.

Some members of the crew were killed in the explosion, and others drowned when the ship sank.

The sinking raised to 562 the Associated Press count of announced Allied and neutral losses in the western Atlantic since Dec. 7, 1941.

Oakville's Captain, 9 Others Decorated

OTTAWA (CP)—Decorations came today to the captain and nine members of the crew of the Canadian corvette Oakville for their good services in the action in which the sturdy little warship rammed and sank a submarine in the Caribbean Sea. The awards were announced by Navy Minister Macdonald.

Acting Lt.-Cmdr. Clarence A. King of Oliver, B.C., the captain, was awarded the Distinguished Service Order. The other decorations consisted of a Distinguished Service Cross, two Distinguished Service Medals and six mentions in dispatches.

Two members of the Oakville crew who leaped from their deck to the deck of the U-boat as it lay surfaced and captured its crew each won recognition for the exploit. They were Lieut. Harold E. T. Lawrence, Brockville, Ont., who received the D.S.C., and Stoker Petty Officer Arthur Powell, Timmins, Ont., awarded the D.S.M.

The other D.S.M. was received by Acting Stoker Petty Officer David Wilson of Toronto.

Mentioned in dispatches were OS. Douglas Thistle MacLean, R.C.N.V.R., Barrhead, Alta.; Charles Frederick Skeggs, R.C.N.V.R., London, Ont., Acting LS.; Lieut. Kenneth Benjamin Culley, R.C.N.V.R., Montreal; Alex. McDonnell Parr, R.C.N.V.R., Halifax, engine room artificer, third class; AB. Rene Faubert, R.C.N.V.R., Montreal, and AB. Lloyd Murchison Gordon, R.C.N.V.R., Bonshaw, P.E.I.

Announcement of the Oakville's successful duel with an undersea raider was made early in November. The engagement was described as "one of the most brilliant submarine attacks of the war."

Lt.-Cmdr. King won a D.S.C. in the first Great War, in which he served nearly three years in Q-ships.

The citation for his D.S.O. said "after bringing the enemy into submission with depth charges, gunfire and ramming, H.M.C.S. Oakville by skillful manoeuvring was laid alongside the U-boat and a successful boarding of the enemy U-boat was effected." It added: "The keen judgment and prompt decision of acting Lt.-Cmdr. King contributed in fullest measure to the success of this engagement."

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Eggs—Eastern A large, 50b. A medium, 40b. A pullet, 45b. B. 45b. C. 40b.

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Close at Top Prices

TORONTO (CP)—Stocks moved up on substantial volume today on Toronto exchange, and closed around top prices for the session. Turnover was close to the 200,000-share mark.

Gains of a point or more came out for Bell Telephone and Winnipeg Electric Pfd. The big oils were active, and International Petroleum gained ¼ to a new high at 16½.

Senior issues were the strongest of the gold group. McIntyre gained ¼ to 44, Dome added ¼, and Hollinger added 5 cents.

Cheaper golds gained a few cents, including Teck-Hughes, Pioneer and San Antonio.

Royalite, South End Petre and United were western oil gainers. Vermilion and Pacalta eased slightly.

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B.C. Power 44 1/2
Canadian Pacific 111 1/2
Can. Nat. Bank 28 1/2
Copper 28 1/2
Dome 44 1/2
Hollinger 45 1/2
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McIntyre 44 1/2
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Dorothy Dix:

Women Find It Pays to Appease Their Husbands

A young wife said to me the other day: "Why should wives always be the appeasers in marriage? When we have an argument, why should I give in to John instead of his giving in to me? I'm right just as often as he is. Why should I keep myself dolled up and work myself to death trying to keep him in love with me, while he takes it for granted that I couldn't possibly fall out of love with him? Why must I always keep the house bright and cheerful, while he thinks home is a place in which he is privileged to work off all his grouches against the world?"

"It isn't fair. It isn't just. There is no reason why most of the chores in marriage should be dumped on the wife. Aren't men just as much married as women?"

"No, indeed," I replied. "The most married man is only about 40 per cent husband, while practically every married woman is 100 per cent wife. The marriage knot is a double hitch for women, but a slip knot for men. A man feels that during his courtship he did all the flatterings and jollies and pussyfooting that any reasonable human being, even a female, could expect of him, and that after the wedding he is entitled to say what he likes to his wife and treat her as he pleases. But a woman knows that catching a husband is one thing, but holding him is another, and that to give satisfaction as a wife has to be not only a good cook and penny-pincher, but a class A diplomat."

LINE OF LEAST RESISTANCE

"Of course, it isn't a fair division of labor. However in marriage there isn't much justice, but there are a lot of perquisites if you know how to collect them. Hence the reason why wives have to be the appeasers in marriage is because it makes things so much easier for them. It is taking the line of least resistance. No wife can force her husband to give her her rights, but she can jolly him into granting her privileges far in excess of anything she ever asked for."

"A wife can fight all over the place with her husband about whether to have the living-room done over in blue or brown and he will stick to brown, while she is determined on blue; but if she approaches the subject by saying: 'Darling, you have such wonderful taste, I wish you would select the new decorations for the living-room,' he will puff out his chest and say he is too busy to be bothered with such small things and for her to get whatever she likes."

"For in small domestic matters men don't really care what their wives do. They only want the gesture made that recognizes them as the cocks of the walk, and dumb, indeed, is the woman who fails to understand this and play up to it. Husbands don't really object to being managed by their wives. They only resent the raw way in which their wives do it."

"No one will dispute that it is just as much a husband's business to be a little ray of sunshine in the home as it is the wife's, and that it is just as much up to him to wear the smile that won't come off as it is to her. But in marriage it is a condition and not a theory that confronts the wife and she saves a lot of wear and

tear on her disposition and her face muscles if she just accepts the holy estate as it is and not as it ought to be.

SAVING A SCENE

"When husband comes home from the office with the pouts, she doesn't tell him not to act like a spoiled brat. She hustles up a good dinner and tells the children to be very quiet because poor, dear father has had such a hard day and is so tired. Which saves a scene and enables him to get down off of his high horse with dignity."

"When a woman asks why she should make so much more effort to retain her husband's affections than he does to keep her in love with him, her own common sense supplies the answer: It is because it is so much more important to the wife than it is to the husband to keep the home together. To the woman managing is her vocation, and to have her home broken up means, in most cases, financial as well as spiritual bankruptcy."

"Most wives are dependent on their husbands. They either married before they had fitted themselves for any self-supporting occupation, or they gave up their jobs when they married and for years have done nothing but cook and wash and baby-tend. And if at middle-age they are thrown out on their own, with helpless little children clinging to their skirts, they are the most forlorn and piteous creatures in the world."

"When you see one of these ex-wives, whose husband has been taken from her by a younger and more glamorous woman, going from office to office seeking the work she is incompetent to do, or when you see a divorcee who has once had a fine house and been surrounded by every luxury, living in a cheap boarding house on grudgingly paid alimony, you do not wonder that wives make every effort to keep their husbands. It pays."

Your Manners

Test your knowledge of correct social usage by answering the following questions, then checking against the authoritative answers below:

1. If you are refusing a date with a young man, should you say you are sorry you can't go?
2. Is it bad manners for a girl to break dates?
3. Is it all right for a girl to date a married man, if his wife is living in another city?
4. If a girl keeps her date waiting should she apologize?
5. If a girl always keeps a man waiting when he calls for her, is it all right for him to protest? What would you do if—

- (a) A man who is engaged to one of your friends asks you for a date—
- (b) Accept the date, since they are only engaged—not married?

Answers

1. Yes.
 2. Yes.
 3. No.
 4. Yes.
 5. Certainly.
- Better "What Would You Do" solution—(a). If the engagement is broken, then you could, of course, start dating the man.

The war is likely to increase industrial use of sulfuric acid, with the recovery of sulfur dioxide from smelter gases.

Uncle Ray

Great Fire of London Took Few Lives

When one Boston building was burned down last month, hundreds of persons met their death. What a different story that was from the Great Fire of London, which destroyed thousands of buildings, but took the lives of only six persons!

The Great Fire broke out on a September night in 1666. The place where it started seems to have been a house or shop in Pudding Lane.

Before the night was over, at least 300 houses had burned down, but that was only the start. A strong wind was blowing



Many London people fled to the Thames river to escape the fire.

sparks and burning embers far and wide. The fire-fighting forces of the city (such as they were) seemed helpless to halt the progress of the blaze.

Seeing that their homes were in the path of the flames, great numbers of London people fled to the Thames river and got into such boats as they could find. King Charles II was one of those who went to the river. He boarded a barge and from that place of safety gave what directions he could to fight the fire.

Meanwhile, others were fleeing aboard carts and wagons, taking away as much of their worldly goods as possible. One citizen wrote notes about the fire in his diary, and here I give some of his notes in short form:

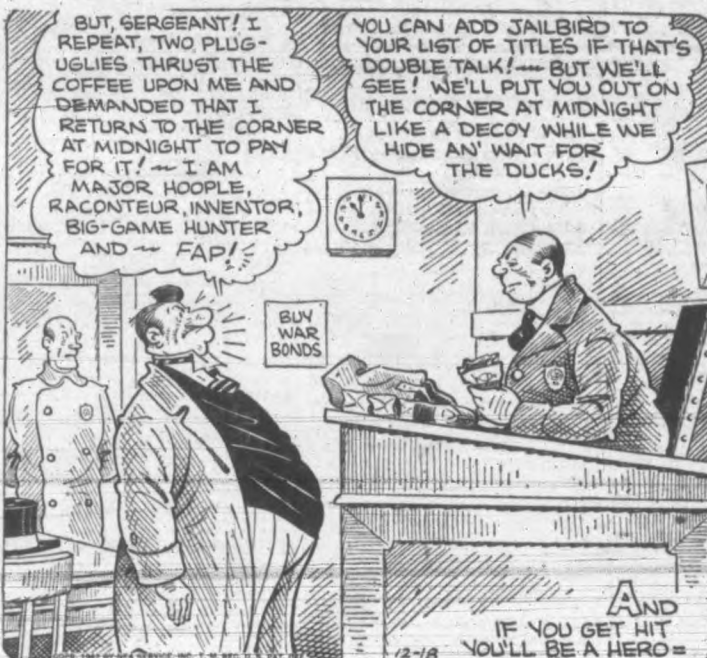
"I walked into the town and found Fenchurch Street, Gracechurch Street and Lombard Street, all in dust. I walked through Moore Fields, among the hot coals, and found that area full of people. The poor wretches were carrying goods there."

"It is a great blessing that the weather is good, since people must stay abroad night and day. After leaving Moore Fields, I went homeward. I found Sheepside and Newgate Market all burned. Anthony Joyce's house was on fire. I saw a poor cat taken out of a hole in a chimney. The hair was all burnt off the body, but it was alive."

Seeing there was no hope of quenching the fire with the small hand-pumps then in use, the king ordered lines of buildings to be blasted. In this way it was hoped to halt the "jumping" of the blaze from one part of the city to another.

Signs of success for the blast were seen—appeared on—the fourth day of the fire, and by the fifth day it was "out." Ninety-two churches and chapels had been destroyed, along with 13,200 houses and a number of public

OUR BOARDING HOUSE, with Major Hoople



buildings. Yet the death toll, according to the official record, stood at only six!

(For history section of your scrapbook.)

Clubwomen's News

Flower Guild of the Metropolitan United Church met recently at the home of Mrs. E. W. Whittington, Rockland Avenue, the president, Mrs. H. J. Pendray, in the chair. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Herbert Pendray; secretary, Mrs. Crozier Smith; treasurer, Mrs. Aaron Parfitt; press, Mrs. M. R. Cullum. Refreshments were served by the hostess. The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Reid, Pentrevel Place.

Women of the Moose Victoria Chapter, met Monday, Senior Regent D. Fairhurst presiding. Mrs. A. Spaven reported on the collection of salvage. Mrs. E. Colton, home-making chairman, reported the quilt will be finished in January, and asked more members to help with the bed making at the Three Services Canteen Thursday mornings. Initiation of candidates took place. Proceeds of tablecloth raffish by Mrs. McAllister are being used to buy Christmas candy for the Solarium and the Orphanage. Auditors for quarter are Mrs. C. Baker, Mrs. E. Colton and Mrs. H. Francis as helpers. Following the meeting the annual Christmas tree for all members was held, everyone exchanging gifts and cards. Refreshments were served. Mrs. V. Warren in charge. There will be a card game and dance Dec. 28 at 8.30 p.m.

Recently marine fish collecting has been expanded by the use of the "under-water light"—an electric light bulb sealed in a heavy glass globe and protected by a wire basket—which may be lowered into the water from a ship's rail to any desired depth.

While waterfowl feathers have a natural curl, chicken feathers are usually given a permanent before they go into pillows.

Ceylon and India are now the only countries in which Japanese hands from which we can expect any substantial imports of tea.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

HEN EGGS, FAVORITE FOOD OF AMERICAN MILLIONS, ARE TABOO IN MANY SECTIONS OF THE WORLD.



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Lard, Cheese, Beans, Coffee Prices Down; Meat, Eggs, Butter Up

OTTAWA (CP)—Despite an increase in the overall cost of living, Canadians now are paying less for five common foodstuffs than they did in 1941, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports.

In a study of retail prices, the bureau shows:

1. The Nov. 2 index figure for pure lard, 105.2, compared with 117.5 on Nov. 1, 1941.

2. The index price for Canadian cheese was 160.1 against 171.4 last year.

3. Dry beans stood at 112.1 against 113.1.

4. Raisins, now being purchased for Canada by the Prices Stability Corporation as part of the price control operations, had a retail price index figure of 100.6 against 104.8.

5. Coffee stood at 134 in the index list in November, down 1.7 points from November, 1941. This month the price to the consumer was reduced 4 cents a pound by price control action.

The bureau's comparison between November figures for the two years showed no change in the retail price index for canned tomatoes, white bread, household flour, rolled oats, granulated sugar and yellow sugar. Apart from sugar, these food products are supplied mainly from home production and, particularly in grains, there has been more than sufficient produced to meet the Dominion's needs.

MEATS RISE

The November beef sirloin index stood at 150.2 against 110.7 in November, 1941, while veal roasts was 168.5 against 147.8.

Lamb roasts was up 12.3 points at 132.7 and fresh pork 4.9 points at 138.1. Eggs were at 167.4 against 154.4 and fresh milk at 112.8 against 111. Under the government program to reduce living costs, milk prices have just been reduced about 2 cents a quart across Canada and this probably will bring the index figure below that of 1941.

Butter cost more last month with the index at 129.4 against 121.7 in November, 1941. Potatoes this year had an index of 153.1 against 113.2 in 1941.

Prince George Link

PRINCE GEORGE, B.C. (CP)—Maj. Gen. H. N. Ganong of the Canadian (Active) Army predicted in an address to the Rotary Club here, Prince George would soon be connected by road with Fort St. John, B.C., and the Alaska Highway.

Mrs. Diccio Hurt But Not Bitter

KANSAS CITY (AP)—Roger C. Slaughter, lawyer handling the Manhattan bills of Gloria Vanderbilt Diccio and her husband, Cpl. Pasquale (Pat) Diccio, said Thursday "as soon as Mrs. Diccio's bills in Manhattan are verified, they will be paid promptly."

A bill for \$241 landlord Arthur Pelna claims is due from the couple, Slaughter said, has never been presented. And when he was in Manhattan last week, he added, repair work on the house the Diccios occupied had not been completed.

"As soon as repairs are completed and verified, the bills will be paid," he asserted.

Claims of other creditors, to be heard in Manhattan justice court Dec. 21, now total \$540.28. Justice of the Peace G. A. Kimball said. The nine firms and individuals filing the claims have attached furniture, stored at Manhattan by the Diccios, valued at \$7,800.

In New York, Mrs. Diccio said she was hurt, but not bitter, at the Manhattan creditors' behavior.

The bills, she said, were not presented before she and her husband left, and instructions were given to forward them. Instead of sending the bills, she was quoted in a World-Telegram interview as saying, the creditors attached the furniture.

"Manhattan is miffed because they rolled out their red velvet carpet for me and I wouldn't walk on it," she concluded.

"I had hoped the people would treat me as a human being. Instead, they looked upon me as a freak—something to be exploited, to stare at, to make money out of."

Little Gas Gangrene In This War

TORONTO (CP)—Dr. G. B. Reed, professor of bacteriology at Queen's University, told a dinner meeting of the laboratory section of the Canadian Public Health Association there has been "very little" gas gangrene during this war.

In the first year of the first Great War 12 per cent of wounded British troops contracted gas gangrene, but this was reduced to 1 per cent during the last year of the war, said Dr. Reed, describing treatments now given wounded soldiers.

Dr. Fred Cadham of Winnipeg was elected chairman of the section, succeeding Dr. D. J. MacKenzie of Halifax. Dr. R. M. Shaw, Edmonton, was appointed a member of the council.

Today's Crossword Puzzle



- HORIZONTAL**
- 1 Depleted language, 67 Placid, 19 Bedroom furniture (pl.).
- 2 former, 50 Sorrow, 21 Negative.
- 3 Spanish ruler, 52 Liquid explorer, 25 Complete.
- 4 Queen — measure, 27 Clear.
- 5 She sold her — to aid, 34 Music note, 1 Devotee, 31 Hawaiian food.
- 6 Columbus, 56 Execute the commands of, 2 Celestial body, 32 Footed vase.
- 7 Atmosphere, 33 Matching group.
- 8 Tranquil, 58 Perform, 4 Whiten, 36 Be in debt.
- 9 Abstract, 59 Half an em, 5 Cloth measure, 35 Dolt.
- 10 being, 60 Auto warning device, 6 Sily glance, 36 Be in debt.
- 11 Earn, 62 Body of troops, 10 Wallow, 42 Regret.
- 12 Weight allowance, 64 Motor coach, 11 Period of time, 43 Necessity.
- 13 Exist, 66 Honey and mulberry, 13 Stair part, 45 Measure of depth of water.
- 14 Upon, 67 Soak up, 48 Fabulous birds.
- 15 Crippled, 22 Senior (abbr.), 49 Music.
- 16 Harbor, 28 Epistle (abbr.), 29 Chief (Sp.), 30 Id est (abbr.), 31 Thrusts, 34 Hang down, 36 Mineral rock, 39 Reverential fear, 40 Confine, 44 Sacrifice, 46 Billiard stick, 47 West Africa (abbr.).
- ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**
1. STAIN, 2. RABBIT, 3. TAILOR, 4. GUN, 5. DAVIS, 6. STEAK, 7. ROOSTER, 8. NEE, 9. AVI, 10. EGOES, 11. ACER, 12. OODAS, 13. ETA, 14. BLANE, 15. KENNER, 16. MORIAIS, 17. REEDS, 18. SHARIS.

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2.00—Concert Orchestra—KOMO, KPO.
2.30—Music—KXN, CJOR.

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